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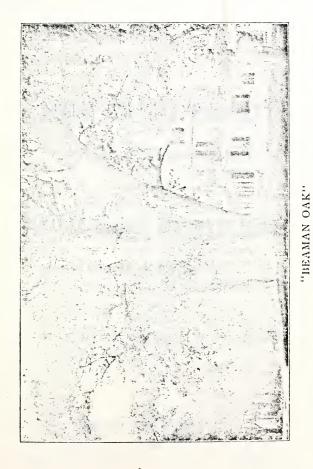
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The

Beaman and Clark Genealogy

A History of the Descendants

OF

GAMALIEL BEAMAN AND SARAH CLARK

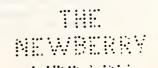
of Dorchester and Lancaster, Mass.

1635—1909

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PREFACE.

This book, tho not large, is the fruit of years of laborious and costly research. The records of very many towns and churches in New England and especially throughout Massachusetts, have been searcht to find the names of children, dates of births, baptisms, marriages, and deaths, and to trace out lost lines; state records have been searcht for lists of soldiers.

To find the maiden names of some of the early Beaman wives, the probate and land records of every county in Massachusetts were examined, in the hope of finding their fathers' wills, or the settlement of their estates, where the names of their children would be mentioned.

Priscilla, the wife of John, Sr., and mother of the greater share of the Beamans on Gamaliel's line, was for years apparently an unsolvable mystery, but at last all were found but two—Abigail and Hannah—wives of John, Jr., and his son Noah. The search for them will continue and if they are found their descendants will be notified.

These old records are difficult to read and the work has to be done by experts with the help of the microscope. Research in old England was especially difficult and costly, but after more than three years it has brought to light the old home county and home town of our ancestors.

The military records were sorted out from the Archives and re-arranged chronologically.

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GREETINGS

To the Beaman Family from some of the oldest Beamans on record:

Mrs. Susan Beaman-Everett of Leominster, Mass., celebrated her one hundredth birthday, April 17, 1908. She was born in Princeton, Mass., and is the grand-daughter of Phineas White Beaman. After the death of her husband in 1885, she removed from Princeton to live with her daughter—Mrs. Puffer—in Leominster, but has spent much of the summer time among the noted Princeton Hills. She is in good health and with the aid of glasses does much knitting and sewing. She reads much, especially in the Bible. In her earlier life she was a very fine singer and still sings to herself to while the hours pleasantly away.

Rev. Edmund Addison Beaman of Cincinnati, Ohio—a grandson of Lemuel White Beaman—was 96 years old, Aug. 8, 1907. He was born in Wendell, Mass., but settled first in Boston. About 1857 he removed to Philadelphia; and about 1865 or 1866, to Cincinnati. He is in good health tho troubled with deafness. He talks much of the past, relating anecdotes of his youth, as his memory is still good.

Mrs. Joanna Beaman-Fletcher—a granddaughter of Gideon White Beaman—was born in Sterling, Mass., and was 96 years old. Nov. 12, 1907. She resides in



Worcester, Mass., with her only child—Mrs. Jennie Fay. Mrs. Fletcher is one of the few original daughters of the Revolution. Altho she lost her eyesight twenty years ago on account of sickness, she still does sewing and fancy work with great skill, and in the autumn when she completed her 91st year she took the prize on a quilt at the Sterling Fair.

Mr. Thomas Beaman, of London, England, writes me that he is the oldest living Beaman in England, so far as he knows. He was born in 1848 in the Half Way House between Smitherick and Oldbury, in the south of Staffordshire. His father—Joseph Beaman—was the Master of the Anchor Iron Works in Smitherick but removed to London about 1852. His ancestors lived in Staffordshire and previously in Shropshire (town unknown), the next county on the west. He remembers hearing it talked about in his childhood, that some of their relations went to America at a very early date—about 1635. Mr. Beaman is sure that the Beamans did not come from France, and he has never heard that they were descended from the Beaumonts.

May 1, 1908.

Rev. L. L. Beaman, residing at 86 Main St., Amherst, Mass., is compiling the records of the Beamans of all lines.

Note. Since the above was written Rev. Edmund Addison Beaman has died, (June 6, 1908) aged nearly 97 years.



INTRODUCTION.

In this Genealogy the names of the early Beamans. and some others where there is no middle name, have the family name of the mother inserted before that of the father, to distinguish individuals where the same given name occurs on so many different lines.

Gamaliel 1st had but two sons who had male heirs-John and Thomas. John had five sons-John, Jr.: Gamaliel; Ebenezer; Jonathan; Jabez. Thomas had two married sons-Eleazer; Abraham. By keeping this in mind the different lines will be easily under-

stood.

The records of many of the descendants of Phineas and Joanna, were furnisht by Miss Myra L. Whiteauthor of the White Genealogy-to whom acknowl-

edgements are made.

In former times New Years day was on March 25, but a change to January 1 was brought about gradually, and appears to have been establisht in England about 1752. For some time before this, dates between Jan. 1 and Mar. 25, were sometimes written with both years indicated; as, January, 1739-40.

The town records of Lancaster from 1686 to 1726, are lost, and it is supposed that a volume was destroyed by fire, perhaps in an Indian raid. The Lancaster Church was burnt by the Indians in 1676, rebuilt in 1684, burnt again by the savages in 1704, and again

rebuilt late in 1706. It was Congregational.

Lancaster is now a noted summer resort with beautiful elms and fine drives. There are no longer any

Beamans there.



THE BATTLE OF LEXINGTON.

Early on the morning of April 19, 1775, the British, having set out from Boston one hour before midnight, were marching toward the northwest thru Lexington to Concord, a distance of 17 miles, to destroy the military stores that the Americans had collected there. At the same time horsemen were galloping in all directions from Lexington, calling out the Minute men by shouting, "Turn out. Turn out. The British are coming."

One came thru Lancaster. He was furnisht a fresh horse and sped on his way, while the old four pounders were fired—the signal agreed upon—and soon afterward two hundred fifty seven men, under six company leaders, commanded by Col. Asa Whitcomb, were rushing eastward down the Bay Road to Concord, about sixteen miles away, to help drive the British back to Boston. They "marcht to Cambridge" and stayed about two weeks. The following Beamans took part in that struggle:

Ezra Moore Beaman, Joseph Holland Beaman, Joseph Knight Beaman, Joseph Kendall Beaman, Lemuel White Beaman, Gamaliel White Beaman.



Jonas White Beaman,
Benjamin White Beaman,
Abraham Howe Beaman of Westboro,
Abram Maynard Beaman,
Noah Rice Beaman,
Abraham Howe Beaman of Marlboro.

Mass. Archives.

Gen. Wm. Heath, who went on this march, says that the Lancaster soldiers overtook the British on their retreat, in time to join in the attack.

BUNKER HILL.

It is difficult to say how many Beamans were in this battle. There were thousands of soldiers, including Beamans, besieging Boston at that time, but only a thousand men, in one brigade, were sent over to Bunker Hill. A few companies from Whitcomb's Lancaster regiment were among these, in one of which was Joseph Knight Beaman. The historian Bancroft says that other soldiers from that part of the state were engaged also, but he mentions no companies or regiments. X

There were also many soldiers in these two battles who were Beamans on their mothers' side.

It is said that the British had for guide to Concord, Capt. Thomas Kendall Beaman, a native of Lancaster who had served in the French war, but was then living in Boston, and took sides with the crown against

Joseph Holland Beaman was at Bunker Hill. He said this to his



the Americans. His only brother, Joseph, marcht against him that day.

For Revolutionary records of the Bemans and Beemans see p. /45.

NATHAN BEMAN.

When Col. Ethan Allen with his Green Mountain Boys set out to capture Ticonderoga, they came to the eastern shore of Lake Champlain in the town of Shoreham, Vt., and there met Samuel Beman, a farmer. The colonel inquired the way over to the fort. Mr. Beman replied that he seldom went across the lake himself, but that he had a young son who often went over to play with the boys about the fort. Accordingly Nathan was called and guided the colonel to the place, and it is said went with him even up into the bedroom of the British commander. Nathan was probably on Simon's line.

Hon. Samuel Beman of Malone, N. Y., and Nathan Beman of Seattle, Wash., are his gr. grandsons.



THE BEAMAN AND CLARK GENEALOGY.

In 1635 five youths named Beaman came from England to America.

Thomas Beomont, aged 29, embarkt in August in the George for Virginia. No farther record. (In 1623 a John Beman died in Virginia "on the plantation opposite James Cittie.")

William Beamond, aged 27, and John Beamond, aged 23, embarkt, April 15, in the Elizabeth for New England. They had taken the oath of allegiance to the king and of the supremacy of the English Church, before William Whitmore and Sir Miles Runton.

Gamaliel Beomont, aged 12, embarkt, May 8, in the Elizabeth and Ann. There were no others of that name on board.

- Simon Beman, age unknown, came in the same year.

William m., Dec. 9, 1643, Lydia—dau. of Nicholas Danforth—and settled in Saybrook, Conn. He d. Feb. 4, 1699. Lydia d. Aug. 16, 1686. Children:

Lydia, b. Mar. 9, 1645,

Mary, b. Nov. 12, 1647,

Elizabeth, b. Mar. 2, 1650,

Deborah, b. Nov. 29, 1652,

Abigail, b. Feb. 20, 1655,

Samuel, b. Feb. 28, 1657,

Rebecca, b. Sept. 7, 1659.

Simon settled in Springfield, Mass., and m., Oct. 15, 1654, Alice Young. He d. in 1676. Alice d. Oct. 5, 1708. Children:



Simon, Jr., b. in 1675, John, b. Feb. 12, 1657, Daniel, b. Jan. 16, 1659; d. unmarried. Thomas, b. Oct. 29, 1660, Josiah, b. Feb. 4, 1662, Mehitabel; d. Aug. 16, 1670, Benjamin, b. Aug. 20, 1671.

There were also Ruth, Samuel, Alice, Mary, and Abigail, whose births are not recorded; but one dau. was b. June 11, 1673.

John lived in Salem, Mass., in 1640, in Scituate in 1643, in Duxbury in 1644. Whom he m. and where he finally settled are thus far unknown, but he had a son Edmund who in 1671 owned a house in Wenham—a part of old Salem. He had also a son John who m. Martha—dau. of Edward Dennis—b. in Boston, May 1, 1644. They removed to Enfield, Conn., in 1682, where he d. in 1684. In 1667 when Martha and John sold her share of the home lot of her father in Boston, they spelt their name Bomont. Her mother was living then in Wenham.

It is probable that these four New England Beamans were of the same family and that Gamaliel was sent over to join his older brothers. Ezra Beaman, Jr. of W. Boylston said in 1811 that all the Beamans in the country were related. Aaron Beeman of N. Fairfax, Vt.—a descendant of Simon the first—wrote a sketch of the Beemans and after mentioning all on his own line that he could remember, he added "One more, Nathaniel Beaman, I have heard consid-



erable about; know that he was a relative. He was son of John, the son of Gamaliel. If I am right he was cousin to my grandfather, tho my father in speaking of him called him cousin. I think he has been here but I do not remember seeing him."

This cousinship was several generations away but in those days family relationships were cherisht.

There is also a typical Beaman face that is found occasionally on all lines; some of the members of the other lines have resembled some of Gamaliel's descendants so strongly that they would be taken for brothers.

Then there are traditions. My mother told me many years ago that one of the original Beamans was named John, and there was a tradition in her family that three Beaman brothers came from England and settled in three different states, one of these being Massachusetts. I have found this same tradition in a Beaman family in New Hampshire who brancht off my line in 1685. As Gamaliel settled in Massachusetts and William in Connecticut, in order to prove this tradition true it would be necessary to learn that John finally settled in a third state, perhaps Rhode Island, tho if Thomas also was a brother that might uphold the tradition as he settled in Virginia.

The clue to the Beaman home in England was the two magistrates before whom William and John took the oath. The English government desired to build up a colony of monarchists and Episcopalians in the new world, and all emigrants were required to take the oath of allegiance and supremacy before the magis-



trates of their own parish, or to be examined on their opinions by the pastor of the Church of England at Gravesend—the port of London. Otherwise they were not permitted to embark, but many Dissenters stole away secretly.

After a long search it was learned that Wm. Whitmore and Sir Miles Runton lived in Bridgnorth, Shropshire-also called Salop Co.-in the west of England. The parish records there are nearly illegible and the first search was a failure: but another was made by a noted archeologist of the county who has transcribed forty volumes of the early county records, for the Archeological Society of Shropshire. He found no Beamans on the books, showing that tho William and John were probably employed in Bridgnorth vet they were not born there; but from his knowledge of the early inhabitants of the county and the residences of the different families, he believes that the Beamans came from at or near Bowman's Hill-a place in the western part of Shropshire, in the parish of Cardington and near Church Stretton, a town that may be found on the map. He thinks also that the name was originally the Norman Beaumont, and that Bowman may have been meant for the name of the family. There were no Beamans then in East Shropshire, and Bowman's Hill appears to have been their original home.

A clergyman in another part of England wrote me that the early form of the name was probably Beaumont. In many early American records it is spelt in



that way, and in the History of Marlboro it is said that that was the original name.

I have recently learned that in some work on genealogy it is said that William Beaman was a native of Carlisle, Cumberland Co., on the border of Scotland. This is doubtful. He was in Bridgnorth in 1635 and tho the family might have removed from Carlisle, yet the distance is one hundred seventy miles and in those days there were few good roads in England and such removals were not common. There are no Beamans now in Carlisle and there have never been any Beaumonths in Cumberland Co. The parish records of Carlisle were burned in the 1745 Rebellion. An antiquarian of Dorchester, England, says there have never been any Beamans in that county.

But there are said to be Beamans in several places in Shropshire, and this is the only county in England except Staffordshire, in which I have found them. All English correspondents write me that Beaman is a very uncommon name. The name in England seems always to be spelt Beaman. Nearly all of Gamaliel's descendants spell it in that way while some on the other lines spell it Beman, or Beeman.

A correspondent in Massachusetts writes, "I find a persistent tradition that the Beamans were Huguenots (French Protestants), driven out of France by Catholic persecution."

If the Beamans were Beaumonts they were probably not Huguenots. The Beaumonts were landed proprietors in England, nobles and gentry, at least n C 17



two hundred years before the Reformation. Henry De Beaumont came from France during the reign of Edward 1, and served with that king against the Scotch. He received extensive estates and was made king of the Isle of Man for life. He took his name from the City of Beaumont in France and was a grandson of John—king of Jerusalem and Sicily—who was a younger brother of Louis IX of France. He m. Alice—dau. and heir of the Scottish Earl of Buchan. There are several branches of his descendants in Leicestershire and Surrey, and they all have the same coat of arms.

But there is another family of Beaumonts in Yorkshire, not far from Shropshire, who have a different coat of arms. This family intermarried with the Saltonstall family of Yorkshire. William Beaman is said to have gone to Connecticut in the capacity of tailor to Sir Richard Saltonstall. If the Beamans were an offshoot of the Beaumonts it seems probable that it was from this Yorkshire family. As the land in England is entailed on the oldest son, descendants of younger sons are often reduced to poverty.

The Beaumonts of Yorkshire are an ancient family, and I have found nothing to show that they were not originally English. Even if they were Normans they were of Saxon blood like the English, since the Normans who conquered England were not French, but Scandinavians, who had gone down and made war on the French until at last the French king made peace with them by giving them a large province on his



northern coast for a home. The French called them Normans, meaning Northmen, and their province was called Normandy. But they adopted the French language and brought it with them to England.

Henry De Beaumont was a Frenchman, but he came to England in the thirteenth century and his descendants have intermarried with the English for six hundred years.

Gamaliel Beaman settled in Dorchester, Mass., which was the first town on the Atlantic coast south of Boston, and m. Sarah—dau. of William Clark. In 1659 they removed to Lancaster, which is about thirty-three miles northwest of Boston, and was first called the Nashua or Nashaway Plantation, deriving its name from the Nashua river that flowed thru it. That river came from the northwest but when it reacht the center of the town, it made a sharp turn and flowed to the north, entering Southern New Hampshire where it emptied into the Merrimac. At the angle it received a branch from the south.

Nashua was an Indian name meaning the land in the angle made by two rivers. The settlers called the northwest branch the North River; the south branch, the Nashua; and the main river north of the angle, the Penecook. The latter name was soon abandoned and the whole river from its source was called the Nashua; and the branch, the South Nashua.

The acute angle between the two parts of the main river was called The Neck, and it was here that



Gamaliel Beaman made his home. The Beaman Oak stood near where his log cabin was built and under it his children must have played. It is now the largest white oak in Lancaster.

The Nashua Plantation started in an Indian trading post, establisht "at least before the fall of 1643." About that time eighty square miles of land were purchased of Sholan or Showanon—Chief of the Nashua Indians—by a company of men, and attempts were made to found a township; but the hardships were so great that all became discouraged and went away, except one—John Prescott—a man of great resolution and enterprise, supposed to have been a soldier in Cromwell's Army.

He remained, and for forty years wrought for the good of the Plantation, putting up grist mills and a saw mill. In recognition of his character as the father of the town the inhabitants desired to have its name changed to Prescott, which was done in 1652; but some person in authority in Boston thought this too great an honor for an humble citizen who had never filled any high official position, and in 1653 the General Court—State Legislature—was persuaded to bestow on the town the English name of Lancaster.

About 1701 another purchase of land was made of Geo. Tahanto—the nephew and successor of Sholan—adding a large tract on the western side of the town. Gradually the town was divided into nine towns—Lancaster, Le(o)minster, Bolton, Berlin, Clinton, Sterling, and parts of Harvard, Boylston and West



Boylston—but The Neck is included in the present limits of Lancaster.

John Prescott was the ancestor of Col. Wm. Prescott of Bunker Hill fame, and of Wm. H. Prescott—the historian.

The publisht History of Lancaster, included in the History of Worcester Co.—which was a part of old Middlesex Co. but set off in 1740—says that Gamaliel and Sarah had six children born in Dorchester, and three others born in Lancaster, the list being as follows:

- 2. John², b. in 1649,
- 3. Joseph², b. in 1651.
- Gamaliel², Jr., b. in 1653; d. Mar. 23, 1678, in Dorchester.
- 5. Thomas², b. in 1654,
- 6. Mary², b. in 1656,
- 7. Sarah², b. Jan. 19, 1658,
- 8. Noah², b. April 3, 1660,
 - 9. Thankful², b. April 16, 1663,
 - 10. Mehitable², b. May 26, 1667.

I know not whence the name Joseph in the above list was obtained, but I have searcht far and wide for Joseph Beaman and others have done the same, without finding any mention of him in any other place. I once received word from Massachusetts that he fought in King Philip's War in Capt. Turner's company, but a careful genealogist has made a thoro search of Bodge's History of that war—the standard authority because he got his information from original records



-and found no Joseph Beaman in Capt. Turner's company or any other place.

A recent re-study of the Dorchester Church Records has led me to the opinion that if Joseph Beaman ever had an existence, he died in infancy. An old chronicle says that the town records of Dorchester up to 1657. were accidentally burnt in Thomas Millet's house, and the first mention we have of Gamaliel's children is in the Dorchester Church Records, where we find the following entry:

"June 14, 1657.

"The daye aforesaid Wer Baptized floure of Gamliel Beamond children presented by their mother who only is member in whose right they were Baptized. 3 of them beinge growen up (able to walk) were very backward, especially the Eldest. Mr. Mather came downe into the deacon seat. Their names were as ffollows:

Thomas Beamond, 8 yeare old, John Beamond, 6 yeare old, Gamaliel Beamond, 4 yeare old, Mary Beamond, not weaned."

The pastor above mentioned was the Rev. Richard Mather-father of Increase Mather and grandfather of the noted Cotton Mather.

It will be noticed that there is no Joseph in the above list, and that the names are not in the right order. The ages also were probably exaggerated, it being the custom with many people to count a child eight years old



as soon as it enters its eighth year. It is carved on John Beaman's gravestone that he died in January, 1739—40, in his ninetieth year, so that he must have been born in 1650. Thomas Beaman's death record reads, "died in November, 1750, aged 96 yrs," which sets his birth in 1654. Gamaliel then was born in 1652 and Mary in 1656. When the Beamans went back to Dorchester after the Massacre in 1676, there was no Joseph among them, and there are no deeds at East Cambridge from Gamaliel to a son Joseph.

It may be worth mentioning here that nearly fifty years ago an uncle of mine met a Beaman from Massachusetts, who told him that Gamaliel 1st had four sons and four daughters. He added that he had a Beaman Genealogy at home of which he would send my uncle a copy; he did so, but my uncle sent it to his home by mail and it was lost on the way and never recovered. I do not know who this Beaman was.

Sarah Beaman's baptismal record reads:

Sarah Beaman, Daughter of Gamaliel Beaman and Sarah Clark, ye daughter of Wm. Clark, baptized Mar. 20, 1658.

Gamaliel and Sarah arrived in Lancaster, May 23, 1659, and May 31 he signed the covenant as one of the fifty-five original proprietors of the town. He brought with him two hundred ten pounds in money—a large sum for those days—and was assigned Lot 38 as laid down on the map, and when the meadow lands were divided he received Lot 22 also. He owned in all more than two hundred sixty-six acres of land.



The lives of the settlers in Lancaster for more than a hundred years, were one round of hardships, dangers, bloodshed and Indian captivities. The French Catholic priests of Canada were determined to exterminate the Protestants of New England, and to this end they constantly stirred up the Indians against them. Nearly all the early Indian Wars of New England were caused by the French Catholics. Sometimes the friars came down with the armies of French and Indians.

Mr. Henry S. Nourse-the historian of Lancastersays, "The Jesuits of Canada conducted warfare against the hated heretics-their Puritan neighbors-in a mode the most cowardly and barbarous known to modern history. By various arts they had won to their interest all the more savage tribes. The savages' cupidity and love of finery were stimulated by gaudy presents and the promise of bounties for services. Bands of painted warriors were regularly equipt and sent to the English frontier settlements, to murder, burn and plunder. These cunning, swift-footed marauders, skulking about some lone cabin, would surprise the owner at the plow or in the harvest field, tear off his scalp and drive before them thru the pathless woods to Canada, his wife and children loaded with spoils from their own home. In Montreal or Quebec the employers (the priests) paid into the blood stained hands the promised bounty and ransom money. To protect the pioneers of new settlements it was necessary to keep parties of rangers in motion."



The farmers of Lancaster when sowing a crop never knew whether it would be gathered by themselves or by the French and Indian enemy. They were forced to spend much of their time with their families in garrisons, unable to care for their crops, and the resultwas distressing poverty. This continued till the French and Indian War, 1754-1762, when Canada was conquered and taken from the French.

In 1676, Feb. 20, during King Philip's War, about four hundred Indians attackt Lancaster. containing then about sixty families. The people had warning of their coming and were collected in a few garrison houses, of which one was the home of the minister—Rev. Joseph Rowlandson—who, with some other men, had gone to Boston to ask for help. There were thirty-seven—or forty-two—persons in this garrison of whom all but one were killed or taken captive. Among the latter were the minister's wife and three children.

The Indians burnt every house in the place, including the church, and the settlers abandoned the town. The Beamans went back to Dorchester where their poverty was so great that the taxes of Gamaliel, Sr., Gamaliel, Jr., John and Thomas Beaman, were set down on the records of Dorchester as desperate debts.

About 1680 the settlers began to come back to Lancaster to rebuild the town, and new houses were set up on Gamaliel's lands for himself and his son John. These were on the east slope of the Bolton Hills near a place called the Cold Spring.

The Worcester Magazine, Vol. 2, p. 39, says that



Gamaliel died in 1707. He was then 84 years old. The same writer says of the Beamans, "This family is numerous and respectable." Sarah was living in 1701. for in that year she acknowledged a deed in which they conveyed land to their son John.

Mary Clark Beaman², (6) m., Jan. 23, 1690, Henry Cookery.

Sarah Clark Beaman², (7) m., Dec. 28, 1680, Ebenezer Williams of Dorchester. She d. Oct. 19, 1681. Child:

A dau., Benonie, b. Oct. 12, d. Nov. 15, 1681.

Thankful Clark Beaman² (9) m., Sept. 20, 1683, Nathaniel Wilson and lived in Lancaster.

Noah Clark Beaman², (8) settled in Dorchester and after his father's death, he sold his share of the paternal estate to John. He m., Jan. 1, 1685, Patience—dau. of Wm. Trescote—b. in Dorchester. Mar. 7, 1654. He d. May 29, 1715. Children:

- 28. Sarah3, b. July 23, 1686; d. Jan. 3, 1712,
- 29. Patience³, b. Dec. 15, 1688,
- 30. Elizabeth^a, b. Dec. 15, 1688, d. May 5, 1690,
- 31. Elizabeth³, b. Aug. 21, 1691,
- 32. Katherine³, b. April 12, 1693, d. Oct. 20, 1711.

Elizabeth Trescote Beaman, (30) m., Nov. 20, 1718, Jeremiah Wilson of Dorchester.

Some of the family gravestones are in the Dorchester Burial Ground.



LINE OF JOHN.

John Clark Beaman², (2) m. about 1674, Priscilla—dau. of Robert Thornton—b. in Boston in 1656. Her father came alone from London in the Elizabeth in the spring of 1635, aged 11 years. He settled in Taunton, Mass., but removed to Boston. The name of his first wife is unknown but he m. (2), Nov. 13, 1657, Mary Doling—widow of Walter Merry. He then returned to Taunton but it is supposed that his four children remained in Boston with their mother's family.

Robert Thornton was a carpenter but he owned in Taunton more than two hundred acres of land. At his death in 1707 he was again a widower and his four daughters by his first wife sold his homestead in Taunton for one hundred fifteen pounds. The deed was acknowledged in Boston, July 1, 1707, and was signed by Mary Fay—wife of Josiah; Sarah Barrett—wife of Samuel; widow Abiel Lawrence; and Priscilla Beaman—wife of John.

On their return to Dorchester after the Massacre, Priscilla was admitted into the church as a member of the church at Lancaster. John was a probationer in Dorchester and in August, 1681, he took out a letter for Taunton but could not have stayed there long for his daughter Sarah was born in Lancaster the next February. John afterward removed again to Taunton and on his return to Lancaster he was received into the church as Father Beaman from Taunton, but the day and year were not recorded. It must have been between 1708 and 1716.



In 1704 John was a member of a garrison establisht in his father's house and in 1711 there was a garrison in his house; there was a church meeting at his house Jan. 30, 1729, to elect deacons. A large slate stone marks his grave in the Old Burial Ground of Lancaster. Inscriptions:

Here lies buried ve body of Mr. John Beaman, who departed this life Jan. 15, 1739-40, in Ye 90th Year of his age.

Here lies the body of Mrs. Priscilla Beaman, wife to Mr. John Beaman who Decd. Augst. 6th, 1729, in ve 73d Year of her age. Children:

- 11. Mary3, b. about 1675; d. in Dorchester, May 3, 1676,
- John³, Jr., b. Feb. 21, 1677, 12.
- 13. Zippora³, b. Mar. 4, 1679,
- 14. Sarah³, b. Jan. 25, 1682,
- 15. Gamaliel³, b. Feb. 29, 1684-5,
- 16. Ebenezer³, b. as early as 1690,
- 17. Jonathan3, b. as early as 1697,
- Priscilla³.
- 19. Judith',
- 20. Eunice, 1108 Irva Rz.
- Jabez3, b. in 1704. 21.

Zippora Thornton Beaman³, (13) m., July 20, 1705, Isaac-son of Isaac Amsden and Jane Rutter-b. in Marlboro, Mass., Aug. 29, 1680. In the marriage record in Marlboro her name is spelt Beaumont. She d. Nov. 9, 1716. Children:

Thankful; Elizabeth.



Sarah Thornton Beaman, (14) m. Joseph Sawyer of Lancaster. She d. Mar. 7, 1718, and is buried beside her mother. Children:

Joseph; Sarah; Thomas; Abner; Asenath; Mary.

Priscilla Thornton Beaman³, (18) m. Ebenezer Polley of Lancaster.

Judith Thornton Beaman, (19) m., May 23, 1733, Benjamin Corey of Lunenburg.

Eunice Thornton Beaman', (20) m., May 29, 1724, Jonas—son of John Wilder and Sarah Sawyer—b. in Lancaster, Nov. 16, 1701. She d. June 15, 1731. Children:

Joseph; Hannah; Priscilla; Jonas.



GAMALIEL; JOHN; JOHN, JR.

John Thornton Beaman³,(12)called John, Jr., in the History of Lancaster, was b. in Dorchester, Feb. 21, 1677, during the abandonment of Lancaster. After the return he lived on his grandfather's old homestead on The Neck. In Lovewell's War with the Indians he served four weeks and five days under Sergeant Thomas Buckminster, during July and August, 1722. He also served as a scout being assigned to duty on the east side of the Nashua River. He m. about 1703, Abigail ——. John joined the church, Apr. 5, 1730, and Abigail joined, Aug. 31, 1735. She d. May 9, 1750, and John m. (2), May 22, 1751, Widow Sarah Page who died in 1756. John, Jr., d. May 3, 1763. Children, b. in Lancaster:

- 33. Noah4, b. in 1704,
- 34. Abigail', b. in 1706,
- 35. Sarah', b. in 1708; d. Sept. 22, 1723.
- 36. John 3d, bapt. Sept. 3, 1710,
- 37. Mary', bapt. June 30, 1714,
- Elizabeth*, bapt. Dec. 9, 1716; not mentioned in her father's will; probably d. without issue.

Abigail Beaman*, (34) m. about 1732, Ebenezer Dakin of Sudbury. Children:

Sarah; Elizabeth; Abigail; Jesse.

Mary Beaman', (37) m. John Herbert, intentions entered Dec. 28, 1742. They were dismist to the church in Petersham in 1752. Children:

Mary; Joseph.



Noah Beaman', (33) settled in North Eastern Leominster, Mass., near the line of Lunenburg, and his two eldest children were baptized in the Lunenburg Church. He m. about 1737, Hannah —. They removed to Littleton but returned to Leominster, and in February, 1745, Hannah joined the church at Leominster presenting a letter from Littleton. The death records of Leominster were not well kept and Noah's death is not recorded, but in 1763 he deeded part of his land to his son John and in 1781 he deeded the homestead to Abel, who lived there with Damaris and their mother. As Joseph received no land he probably died young. Abel and Damaris died unmarried. Hannah —"widow of Noah Beaman"—d. Apr. 28, 1785. Children:

- 73. Damaris, bapt. Jan. 1, 1739; d. Feb. 23, 1807.
- 74. John⁵, bapt. July 20, 1740,
- 75. Joseph⁵, b. in Littleton, Sept. 19, 1744,
- 76. Abel⁵, b. in 1748; d. Jan. 20, 1819.

John Beaman's, (74) son of Noah and Hannah, served in the French War in Capt. Joseph Whitcomb's company, Col. Timothy Ruggles's regiment. "They assembled at Northampton, June 3, 1758, and marcht for five days thru a wooded wilderness without white inhabitants, to Albany. During the Battle of Ticonderoga the regiment was detailed as rear guard at the saw mills where it threw up earthworks. Afterward they rebuilt the military roads between Saratoga and Albany, till discharged in November." He served as Corporal in Capt. Thomas Beaman's company, Col.



Abijah Willard's regiment, in 1760, from April to December. They sailed down Lake Champlain in batteaux, and, Aug. 16, landed on the east side of the river St. Johns near the Isle of Noix, which they besieged. On the morning of the 28th it was found that the enemy had fled. They then besieged the French Army in Montreal, which surrendered Sept. 8, 1760, and Canada was taken.

In the Revolution he enlisted from Stow in Capt. Cranston's company, stationed at White Plains in 1776; also May 27, 1776, enlisted in Capt. Daniel Lothrop's (7th) company, Matross, in Col. Thomas Craft's Artillery regiment—service five months; also enlisted from Bolton in Capt. Manasseh Sawyer's company, Col. Dike's regiment—in service from Dec. 14, 1776, to March, 1777; also in Capt. Ephriam Jennings's company, Col. David Wells's regiment—service from Sept. 22 to Oct. 18, 1777, on an expedition to the northward. See p. 195.

He m. Aug. 5, 1767, Mary—dau. of Edward Fuller and Lucy Hubbard of Leominster—b. in Stow, Mass., June 21, 1749. Edward Fuller was of Salem; Edward and Sarah Quarles; Edward (a trooper at Salem) and Mary Bacon; Lieut. Thomas Fuller of Woburn, b. in Wales in 1618—wife, Elizabeth Tidd.

John and Mary settled in Leominster tho they appear to have lived for a short time in Stow and Bolton. Later in life he removed to Poultney, Vt., where he d. in 1820. Mrs. Beaman d. in 1830 or 31. Children:

132. John, b. June 15, 1768; died.



- 133. Mary, b. Nov. 26, 1769,
- 134. Sarah*, bapt. Feb. 27, 1774; died.
- 135. John⁶, b. July 6, 1775,
- 136. Sarah, b. Mar. 22, 1778,
- 137. Lucretia⁶, bapt. Aug. 13, 1780,
- 138. Joel⁶, b. Sept. 3, 1782.
- 139. Thomas', bapt. June 29, 1786. No issue.
- 140. Luke⁴, bapt. Sept. 30, 1792.

Mary Beaman^s, (133) m., May 5, 1793, Manasseh—son of James and Ruth Richardson—b. in Lancaster, Sept. 15, 1766. His line of descent was James^s, William^s, James^s, Nathaniel^s, Thomas^s. He d. in Townsend, Mass., and Mrs. Richardson d. in Wendell. Children:

James; Manasseh; Otis; Cephas; Mary; Manasseh; Henry; Harriet; Geo. Beaman.

Sarah Beaman⁴, (136) m., Feb. 4, 1799, Col. Luke Joslin—son of John Joslin and Susanna Carter—bapt. in Leominster, May 12, 1771, and d. Sept. 29, 1824. Mrs. Joslin d. Oct. 9, 1856.

Lucretia Beaman*, (137) m. David Sanford and is thought to have settled in Castleton, Vt.

John Fuller Beaman*, (135) m., and is supposed to have lived in Boston. He had three children:

- 214. John', who commanded a ship in the China trade and is supposed to have died or been killed in Walker's Nicaraugua Expedition.
- 215. Thomas^t, who was in the navy many years.

All died unmarried.



Joel Beaman', (138) b. Sept. 3, 1782, in Leominster, Worcester Co., Mass., removed to Fairhaven, Vt., in 1805. He was a paper maker but sold his interest in the business in 1808 and removed to Poultney, where he carried on a store of general merchandise and also a hotel. He m. in 1809, Mary—dau. of John—son of Capt. Christopher Brown of N. Providence, R. I., where Mary was b. July 5, 1791. Her mother was Mary—dau. of Capt. Benjamin Whipple. Joel d. Mar. 20, 1846. Mrs. Beaman d. Jan. 31, 1867. Children:

- 217. George Hudson⁷, b. Dec. 25, 1810,
- 218. Mary Louisa⁷; died.
- 219. Minerva[†], b. April 5, 1815,
- 220. Mary[†]; died.
- Joel D., b. Sept. 4, 1818; d. Feb. 5, 1849, unmarried.
- 222. John Brown[†], b. Sept. 13, 1819,
- 223. Jenks', b. Aug. 4, 1821,
- 224. Cullen B., b. Oct. 17, 1824,
- 225. Caroline L.', b. Jan. 25, 1826; d. July 6, 1896.
- 226. Charles Henry'; died.
- 227. Frances[†], b. Aug. 16, 1830,
- 228. Jane⁷, b. Aug. 18, 1832.

Minerva Beaman, (219) m., Aug. 8, 1837, Carolus Rollin Mallory, and d. in Poultney, Jan. 27, 1880.

John Brown Beaman', (222) a lawyer and President of the First National Bank of Poultney, resides with his brother—Cullen C. Beaman—and sister—Miss Jane



Beaman—in the old Beaman mansion at Poultney in which all the family except Mrs. Mallory were born.

Lieut. Jenks Beaman, (223) graduated at West Point in 1842, and was in the 4th Infantry regiment. He d. in Tampico, Mexico, May 6, 1848. "He was in every battle of the Mexican War except one." Unmarried.

Frances Beaman⁷, (227) m., Feb. 17, 1857, William Oakley Ruggles. She d. in New York City, May 15, 1862.

George Hudson Beaman[†], (217) b. in Poultney, Rutland Co., Vt., Dec. 25, 1810, settled in Rutland, Vt., where he was editor of the Rutland Herald. He m. (1), June 21, 1836, Eleanor Kettelle Gookin of Rutland, b. Dec. 1, 1811. She d. Aug. 30, 1841, and he m. (2), Nov., 1844, Mary Lucinda—sister of the first wife—b. Dec. 11, 1815; d. Aug. 29, 1883. Their line of descent was William Gookin⁶ and Thais Young of Center Rutland; Samuel⁵ of Dedham; Boston, and later of Haverhill, N. H.; Richard⁴ of Dedham; Rev. Daniel Gookin⁶ of Sherborn, Mass.—eldest son of Major-General Daniel Gookin⁷. General Gookin was associated with the Apostle Eliot in the care of the Indians; he looked after their temporal welfare.

General Gookin was b. in 1612, in Kent, England, and in 1630 came to Virginia with his father—Daniel, Sr.—who had received a grant of land there. In 1644 fleeing from the Indian Massacre he came to Boston. He protected the regicides in 1660, and in 1676 he pro-



tested the friend Indians who were falsely accused. He was made Major-General of the colony in 1681. He d. in Cambridge, Mar. 19, 1687. He wrote the Historical Collections of the Indians in Massachusetts, and a History of Massachusetts which is lost. Geo. Hudson Beaman d. Jan. 15, 1899, in Cambridge, Mass. Children:

347. George William8, b. May 7, 1837,

348. Mary Eleanor⁸, b. Feb. 3; d. May 24, 1841. 2d wife:

349. Adelaide K.s, b. June 20, 1846,

650. Jenks, b. Dec. 29, 1851.

Adelaide K. Beaman^s (349) m. in Rutland, June 19, 1872, Thomas Jefferson—son of Thomas J. Sutherland of Wallingford, Vt., and Hannah Packer—b. Oct. 31, 1844. Children:

George Beaman; Blanche; Robert; Walter.

Admiral George W. Beaman', (347) b. in Rutland, Vt., was appointed Asst. Paymaster of U. S. Navy, June, 1862; promoted Paymaster, July, 1866; promoted Pay Inspector, Aug., 1892; promoted Pay Director, April, 1899; retired May, 1899, with rank of Rear Admiral. He m., May 2, 1866, Rebecca Swift—dau. of Middleton Goldsmith and Frances Swift of Louisville, Ky.—b. Mar. 25, 1844, in New York City. They reside in Cambridge, Mass. Children:

482. William Major, b. Feb. 20, 1867,

483. Frances Middleton', b. June 18, 1868, at Annapolis, Md.



484. Bessie Eleanor, b. at Norfolk, Va., Sept. 10, 1873; d. July 2, 1874.

485. Middleton Goldsmith, b. Sept. 25, 1878, in Rutland, Vt. He graduated at Harvard College in 1899 and at Harvard Law School in 1902; is now Librarian of Law Library of Congress in Washington.

Frances Middleton Beaman, (483) m., Apr./3, 1993, at Philadelphia, Walter Sanford Burke of Engineer Corps, U. S. Navy, (home, Batavia, Ill.)—now on retired list and connected with Harvard College. Children:

Roger Middleton; Betty.

William Major Beaman, (482) b. at Annapolis, Md., graduated as civil engineer at Mass. Institute of Technology in 1889; has been connected with the U. S. Geological Survey from 1889 to present date; address, Washington, D. C. He m., April 15, 1895, Mary Sheerer—dau. of Medical Director Joseph B. Parker, U. S. Navy, and Margaret J. Yorke. Child:

631. Dorothy Yorke¹⁰, b. Feb. 22, 1907.

Jenks Beaman, (649) b. in Rutland, Vt., m., April 9, 1894, in Jersey City, N. J., Minnie J.—dau. of Nicholas Tintle and Louise E. Mashey—b. in Newark, N. J., Jan. 14, 1864. They reside in Newark. Children:

486. Chester Jenks', b. Dec. 28, 1898, 487. Milton George ', b. May 2, 1901.

Luke Beaman*, (140) son of John and Mary, bapt.



Sept. 30, 1792, in Leominster, Worcester Co., Mass., removed to Poultney, Vt. in 1816. He was engaged for nearly twenty years in the manufacture of combs. In 1835 he removed to Fairhaven, Vt., in 1847 to Port Kent, and afterward to Mooen's Junction. He m., Jan. 17, 1817, in Chester, Vt., Betsy Gibson of Leominster, Mass., who d. Aug. 17, 1844. Children:

229. Mary[†], m. James Bradshaw.

230. Betsy', m. James Bradshaw; 2d wife.

231. Martha[†]; m. Chauncey Fish.

232. Augustus[†]; died.

233. Jonas[†]; m. Jane Cummings.

234. Sylvester[†]; b. in 1853.

235. Hoyt'; m. Louisa Mather and resides in Chicago.

John Beaman 3d, (36)—son of John, Jr. and Abigail—b. in Lancaster. Mass., in 1710, was bapt. Sept. 3. He settled in Lancaster, and m. about 1732, Susanna Holland of Weston. Mass. The date of her birth has not been found but by means of family papers she is thoroly identified as a granddaughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Davis) Holland of Watertown. Joseph was son of Nathaniel Holland and Mary Hosier—dau. of Samuel Hosier. Joseph Holland—a citizen of London, England—willed a legacy to his son Nathaniel of Watertown, New England. Being left an orphan in infancy Susanna was brought up by Israel Peirce of Weston, whose wife was a dau. of Joseph Holland. She brought a letter from the Weston Church and was admitted to the Lancaster Church, Jan. 27, 1734. John



3d owned the covenant and was admitted at the same time. Susanna d. Oct. 24, 1760, and John m. (2) Prudence Bullard of Petersham. He d. June 25, 1788. Children, born in Lancaster:

- 77. Joseph⁵, b. Nov. 29, 1733,
- 78. Elizabeth⁵, b. Feb. 1, 1735,
- 79. Elijah⁵, b. Oct. 10, 1736,
- 80. John⁵, b. Oct. 31, 1738; d. Dec. 5, 1740.
- 81. Oliver⁵, b. May 19, 1741; d. Sept. 30, 1746.
- 82. John⁵, b. Mar. 29, 1744; d. Sept. 28, 1746.
- 83. Sarah⁵, bapt. Sept. 30, 1746; d. Oct. 1, 1746.
- 84. Nathaniels, b. Oct. 5, 1747. 241 377

Elizabeth Holland Beaman^s, (78) m., Dec. 26, 1753, John—son of John Divoll and Sarah Osgood—b. in Lancaster, Aug. 9, 1728. They lived in Leominster and had seven children. She d. Mar. 12, 1812. The gravestones of John and Elizabeth are in Pine Grove Cemetery, Leominster, Mass.

Joseph Holland Beaman⁵, (77) served in the French War. He was one of Ensign May's detachment of fourteen men sent in 1754 to Col. John Chandler at the west of the province—to protect it; also he was in Capt. Joseph Whitcomb's company, Col. Timothy Ruggles's regiment. See p. 29.

In the Revolution, Joseph Beaman, Lancaster, Sergeant in Capt. John Prescott's company, served at Lexington—service 13 days; also enlisted April 26, 1775, in Capt. Abel Wilder's company, Col. Ephraim Doolittle's regiment—Siege of Boston—service 3 mos.; was

Bunker Will and



in the same company and regiment at Winter Hill, Dec. 16. 1775, and received bounty coat or its equivalent in money; also enlisted July 28, 1777, in Capt. John White's company, Col. Job Cushing's regimentservice 1 mo, 8 days, on an alarm at Bennington; also in Capt. John Drury's company, Col. Ezra Wood's regiment, to reinforce Continental Army at Ticonderoga. May to Dec., 1778; also in Capt. Luke Wilder's company, Col. Samuel Drury's (2d) regiment, from Oct. 27 till Dec. 1, 1779, at Claverack, N. Y., roll dated Albany; also in Capt. David Moore's company, Col. Enoch Hallett's Continental regiment from July 21, 1781-3 mos.-sent to Rhode Island. In Dec., 1778, he was reported "deserted," but was only missing, and got back safe and was honorably discharged, Feb. 10, 1779

He m. in Lunenburg, July 23, 1755, Hannah—dau. of Amos Knight and Hannah Kendall Beaman—b. in Lancaster, Oct. 6, 1735. They settled in Leominster where their three oldest children were born, then removed to the western part of Lancaster which in 1781 was set off and called Sterling. Joseph was a Federalist and in his old age was fond of talking politics with the parson and of talking over his campaigns at Ticonderoga with old comrades. He d. in Sterling, April 7, 1813. Hannah d. of a fall, May 29, 1835, aged 99 years and 8 mos. Children:

141. Joseph⁶, b. April 21, 1756,

142. Sarah, b. Mar. 4, 1758,

143. Relief, b. Feb. 27, 1760,



144. Jabez⁶, b. Mar. 20, 1762,

145. Lucy, b. Jan. 20, 1764,

146. Hannah⁶, b. Jan. 27, 1766,

147. Rhoda⁶, b. Sept. 19, 1768,

148. Ephraim⁶, b. Nov. 17, 1770,

149. Rebecca⁶, b. Mar. 19, 1774,

150. Nancy6, b. Oct. 3, 1777.

Joseph Knight Beaman⁶, (141) served at Lexington, and also at Bunker Hill, where he was wounded in both thighs. Joseph Beaman, Lancaster, "marcht to Cambridge" in Capt. Joseph White's company, Col. Asa Whitcomb's regiment—service 3 days; transferred to Capt. Benjamin Houghton's company, Col. John Whitcomb's regiment—service 8 days; enlisted into the army April 27, 1775, in Capt. Andrew Haskell's company, Col, Asa Whitcomb's regiment-service 8 mos.; also from Mar., 1776, in Col. Bedel's regiment in New Hampshire, taken prisoner at The Cedars, parolled and returned home June 17, 1776; also in Capt. Samuel Sawyer's company, marcht, July 22, 1776, to Col. Jonathan Smith's regiment at New York-was in the engagement at Kip's Bay, Sept. 15, discharged Nov. 12; also for one year from Nov. 1, 1776, in Capt. Joseph Balch's company, Col. Thomas Craft's Artillery regiment; also 5 mos. on frigate Warren during 1777; also in Capt. Simeon Smith's company, Col. Seth Warner's Continental regiment, from Mar. 31 to Dec. 30, 1780-at Fort George June 11; was wounded in right arm in battle at mouth of Lake George. He settled at



Pownal, Bennington Co., Vt., and in 1818 applied for and received a pension.

It is recorded at the Pension Office that in 1820 his wife, Sene, was 51 years old, and that she had three children living with her—Dexter aged 15, Heman aged 9, and Harriet aged 6. About 1814 there was a boundary monument set up in Pownal by commissioners of New York and Vermont, and one of the three commissioners on the part of Vermont was Joseph Beaman, Jr.; but the town clerk of Pownal writes me that there is no such name as Joseph Beaman on their town records. Children:

236. Dexter[†].

237. Heman[†],

238. Harriet'.

Sarah Beaman*, (142) m., Sept. 12, 1779, William Phelps, Jr. of Lancaster. Children:

Jonas; Anna; Lucy.

Relief Beaman*, (143) m. (1), June 8, 1786, Oliver Chase of Lancaster; m. (2), May 26, 1799, Aaron Phelps of Lancaster. She d. Jan. 6, 1843. No children recorded.

Jabez Knight Beaman, (144) enlisted as a fifer in the Revolutionary Army when not quite 15 years old. Jabez Beaman, Lancaster, muster roll for Jan., 1777, dated Constitution Island—enlistment 3 yrs.; was fifer in Capt. John Gill's (6th) company, Col. Craft's Artillery regiment—pay roll for service from Feb. 1 to May 8, 1777; also Dec. 17, 1777, enlisted for the town of



Harvard, from Capt. Samuel Hill's company into Capt. Colton's company, Col. John Greaton's regiment, Continental pay account for service from Feb., 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779; was fifer in Lieut. James Tisdale's company, Col. Greaton's regiment, muster rolls for June and July, 1778, dated White Plains, reported appointed fifer Feb. 1, 1778; also in Capt. Samuel Foster's company, under command of Lieutenant Tinsdale, muster roll for Sept., 1778; also muster roll for April, 1779, dated Crown Point; also muster roll for July, 1779, dated Camp Highlands; also muster roll for Sept., 1779, dated Camp Bedford; also fifer in Capt. Job Sumner's company, Col. Greaton's Continental regiment, pay account at Springfield for service from Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, 1780; also "Descriptive list of enlisted men at West Point, Jan. 25, 1781, in Col. Greaton's regiment-Jabez Beaman, aged 18 years, stature 5 ft. 5 in., complexion light, hair brown, eyes blue, residence Lancaster, enlistment during war."

In 1786 Jabez entered his intentions of marriage with his second cousin, Prudence—dau. of Capt. Andrew Haskell—but he may have died before the ceremony was performed, for several years later she entered her intentions of marriage with another man. The record of the death of Jabez has not been found, but he applied for no pension.

Lucy Beaman⁶, (145) m., June 18, 1782, Jonathan—son of Jonathan Wheelock and Thankful Haskell. Child:

Lucy, and perhaps others.



Rhoda Beaman*, (147) m. Robert Parker Kin:ball of Concord, N. H.

Rebecca Beaman⁶, (149) m., Sept. 8, 1796, Joel—son of Joel Osgood and Lois Rugg—bapt. in Lancaster, Oct. 15, 1775.

Nancy Beaman*, (150) m., Sept. 8, 1801, William Wilder, Jr. of Portland.

Ephraim (Knight) Beaman⁶, (148) b. in Sterling, Worcester Co., Mass., Nov. 17, 1770, was a merchant in Boston. He m. in Boston, Sept. 3, 1797, Rebecca—dau. of Daniel Greenleaf and Ruth Dalton—b. in Haverhill, Mass., in 1778. Ephraim d. in Boston, May 6, 1822. Mrs. Beaman d. Aug. 26, 1859, at Salem, Mass. Children:

- 239. Rebecca⁷, b. Sept., 1798; d. Oct. 18, 1829.
- 240. Charles Cotesworth, b. Aug. 12, 1799,
- 241. Mary A., b. Oct. 20, 1801; d. Nov. 2, 1827.
- Lucy Wheelock', b. Jan. 5, 1804; d. July 8, 1823.
- 243. Caroline⁷, b. Apr. 20, 1808; d. Dec. 8, 1833.
- Margaret Dalton[†], b. Nov. 20, 1811; d. Sept., 1833.

Rev. Charles Cotesworth Beaman[†] (240)—a Congregational clergyman—graduated at Andover Theological Seminary in 1837 and preacht in various New England towns. He was a member of the Rhode Island Historical Society and of the New England Genealogical Society. He m., July 10, 1839, Mary A. Stacy, b.



in Wiscasset, Maine, Mar. 2, 1816—dau. of Nimphas Stacy and Martha Babson—dau. of Wm. Babson and Anna Rogers of Gloucester, Mass. Mr. Beaman d. in Boston, July 4, 1883. Mrs. Beaman d. in Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 22, 1875. Children:

- 350. Charles C.*, b. May 7, 1841)
- 351. Nathaniel Parsons Beaman', b. in N. Falmouth, Mass., Mar. 25, 1843; m., Dec. 18, 1884, Minnie Fisher Stanwood of Boston. He is President of the Parsons Manufacturing Co., of Chelsea; resides in Roxbury, Mass.
- 352. George Herbert Beaman⁸, b. in Edgartown, Mass., July 27, 1845; resides in Washington, D. C. He m., Dec. 12, 1889, Anna Ekin—dau. of Geo. Sidney Lovett and Caroline de Beelen—b. Aug. 19, 1860, in Grand Rapids, Mich.
- 353. William Stacy Beaman⁸, b. in Wellfleet, Mass., July 25, 1848, graduated at Harvard College in June, 1872, and at Harvard Law School in June, 1874; has practist law in New York City since 1874.

Charles C. Beaman*, Jr., (350) b. in Houlton, Me., graduated at Harvard College in 1861 and afterward at Harvard Law School. He settled in New York City and was a member of the firm of Evarts, Choate, and Beaman. He m., Aug. 19, 1874, at Windsor, Vt., Hettie Sherman—dau. of Hon. Wm. M. Evarts and



Helen Minerva Wardner—b. in New York City, Nov. 28, 1852.

Hon. Wm. M. Evarts, b. in Boston in 1818, graduated at Harvard College in 1837 and was a prominent lawyer in New York City; U. S. Senator for six years; U. S. Attorney General in 1868; Secretary of State in President Hayes's Cabinet from 1877 to 1881; d. in New York, Nob. 28, 1901. In 1862 he conducted the case in the Supreme Court to establish the right of the United States, in the Civil War, to treat captured vessels as maratime prizes, according to the laws of war; in 1868 was principal counsel in the impeachment trial of President Johnson, and in 1872 was counsel for the United States in the settlement of the Alabama claims; acknowledged to be one of the ablest constitutional lawyers the country has ever produced.

Charles C. Beaman, Jr., d. Dec. 15, 1900. Children:

- 488. Mary Stacy , b. in New York City, May 8, 1875; m. July 8, 1897, at Windsor, Vt., Edward Jackson Holmes of Boston, Mass.
- 489. Helen Wardner, b. in New York City, Feb. 10, 1877; m. Oct. 8, 1902, Herbert Conrad Lakin.
- Margaret, b. in Windsor, Vt., Sept. 21, 1878.
- William Evarts', b. in New York City, Jan. 25, 1881.

Elijah Holland Beaman^s, (79) b. in Lancaster, Mass., Oct. 10, 1736, served in the French War. Elijah Bea-



man, Lancaster, in Capt. Benjamin Ballard's company, Col. Jonathan Bagley's regiment, marcht to Albany early in the spring of 1756 on the 2d expedition against Crown Point; also after the surrender of Ft. William Henry to the French and the following massacre, Aug. 9, 1757, he marcht to Springfield in Capt. Nathaniel Sawyer's company detacht out of Col. Oliver Wilder's regiment on their way to protect Albany from Montcalm's forces; but Montcalm retreated to Canada. In the Military Annals of Lancaster it is said that Elijah Beaman served also in 1758 but the company is not given.

He m., April 16, 1759, Thankful-dau. of Roger Nichols and Bethia Winslow of Lancaster-b. in Hingham, Plymouth Co., Mass., Dec. 1, 1737. Roger Nichols was son of Israel Nichols2 and Mary Sumner; Thomas Nichols' and Rebecca Joslin-dau. of first Thomas Joslin, one of the Lancaster proprietors. Her sister-Mary Joslin-was wife of Deacon Roger Sumner of Lancaster and mother of Mary Sumner-Nichols. Bethia Winslow was b. in 1701 or '02-dau. of Samuel Winslow and Bethia Holbrook-day, of Samuel Holbrook of Scituate, Mass, Samuel Winslow was son of Kenelm Winslow, Jr., and Mercy Worden; Kenelm Winslow, Sr., was the youngest of the five Winslow brothers of the Plymouth Colony. He came from England in 1629 and m. Elinor Newton who came in the Ann in August, 1622. She m. (1) John Adams, (2). Kenelm Winslow. Roger Sumner was the first deacon of the Lancaster church, and one of the proprietors of the town.



Thankful Nichols was a very bright girl and a great checker player. At one time a noted checker player came thru Lancaster boasting of his skill and challenging everybody to a contest. No one dared take him up but Thankful Nichols; she played him two games and won them both: the second game he got no king. Elijah settled in Lancaster where he was killed in a well, Aug. 12, 1771. Thankful afterward m.—Fletcher by whom she had a son Paul. She d. March, 1815, at the home of her son Joshua in Chester, Vt., and is buried by the side of her son Peter in Grafton, Vt. Children:

- 151. John⁶, b. Dec. 6, 1760; d. June 27, 1762.
- 152. Susanna^e, b. Jan. 16, 1763,
- 153. Peter⁶, b. Feb. 20, 1765,
- 154. Roger Nichols, b. May 10, d. Dec., 1767.
- 155. Joshua', b. Mar. 8, 1769,
- 156. Thankful⁶, bapt. Nov. 10, 1771.

Susanna Beaman*, (152) m. Simon Alverson and d. young in Chester, Vt. Child:

Simon, Jr.

Thankful Beaman⁶, (156) m. Simeon Alverson and lived in Reading, Vt. She d. June 11, 1832. Children: Susanna; Eunice; Mary; Eliza.

Paul Fletcher m. Azuba Archer and d. in Reading, Vt., Oct. 15, 1823, aged 48 yrs. Children:

Edward; Mary Ann; William.

Peter Nichols Beaman*, (153) b. in Lancaster, Worcester Co., Mass., Feb. 20, 1765, served against the



insurgents in Shay's Rebellion, in Capt. Nathaniel Beaman's company, under Col. Ephraim Stearns. A letter written at the time says, "They are as fine a body of men as were ever assembled, composed of the most respectable characters in the places where they were raised. They met other troops at Worcester and, Jan. 25, 1787, marcht against the enemy. From Hadley to Petersham, thirty miles, they started at eight o'clock, evening of Feb. 13, going thru an almost mountainous country and during the last part of the way facing a violent storm. The drifting snow impeded their steps and it grew so cold that the majority of the troops were frostbitten. To the hardiest soldier that terrible night's march was something to be remembered for life. They reacht Petersham in the morning-Sunday-but the insurgents had fled and scattered-Rebellion ended."

Peter removed to Chester, Vt., and m., Nov. 27. 1787, Mary—dau. of Nathaniel and Mary Stone—b. in Chester, Nov. 15, 1764. They settled in Grafton, Windham Co., Vt., on a farm where he was killed, Nov. 12, 1827, by the fall of a limb of a tree that he was felling. Mrs. Beaman d. April 19, 1845. Children:

- 245. Polly[†], b. April 20, 1789,
- 246. Sally, b. Aug. 21, 1790,
- 247. Elijah^t, b. Nov. 22, 1791,
- 248. Levi[†], b. Oct. 1, 1793,
- 249. Theodosia, b. Dec. 11, 1795; d. Dec. 7, 1845, unmarried.
- 250. Susan[†], b. April 14, 1797,



251. Alexander, b. May 25, 1799,

252. Lucia[†], b. Nov. 2, 1800; d. Dec. 19, 1801.

253. Otis⁷, b. Mar. 6, 1803.

Polly Beaman, (245) m. Benjamin Davis and d. May 10, 1836.

Sally Beaman[†], (246) m., Dec. 28, 1819, Erastus Smalley and lived on her father's homestead in Grafton. She d. July 15, 1862. Children:

William S.; Otis Beaman; Sarah E.; Orin E.; Mary F.; Albert Franklin.

Elijah (Stone) Beaman', (247) m. Nancy Walker and lived in Laconia, N. H. He d. Nov. 9, 1860. No issue.

Levi Beaman', (248) m. Philena Walker and lived in Laconia, N. H. He d. Dec. 13, 1863. No issue.

Susan Beaman^t, (250) m. Darius Smalley and d. Nov. 17, 1845.

Alexander Beaman', (251) m. Mary Robins of Hillsboro, N. H. He d. in Chelsea, Mass., Feb. 4, 1871. Mrs. Beaman d. in Henicker, N. H., Sept. 11, 1887. Children:

354. Mary J.*,

355. Abby R.*; d. Feb. 4, 1909.

356. Annie E.*,

357. Edward A.*; died.

The Misses Beaman live at Bradford, N. H.



Otis Beaman', (253) m. Emma Jane Robins of Hillsboro, N. H. He lived in Laconia, N. H., and d. Oct. 10, 1879. Children:

- 358. George O.8
- 359. Emma J.*
- 360. Edward F.8

George O. Beaman⁸, (358) m. Elizabeth Sisson. He d. at his summer home in Bolton, Mass., June 16, 1895, aged 61 yrs. Child:

- 492. Harry Sisson Beaman, b. in Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 17, 1866; lives in Boston. He m. (2) Martha Cecil Peabody, b. at Fort Dodge, Iowa, Jan. 6, 1876. Children: 1st wife:
 - 632. Beatrice Agatha b. in Brookline, Mass., Dec. 15, 1896.
 - 633. Dorothy Vivian¹⁰, b. Mar. 8, 1898.

Emma J. Beaman⁸, (359) m. (1) L. K. Elliot; m. (2) Frank J. Osgood. She d. March, 1906, aged 68 yrs. Children:

Amy C. Osgood; Lottie Osgood.

Edward F. Beaman, (360) m. Jennie Staniels who d—. He lived in Laconia, and d. April 16, 1901, aged 56 yrs. No issue.

Joshua Nichols Beaman', (155) b. in Lancaster, Mass., Mar. 8, 1769, was two years old when his father died and after his mother's second marriage he lived



with his uncle Nathaniel. While his uncle was away in the Revolutionary Army, Joshua at the age of twelve put a mark on the pantry door, by which he measured himself every day, saving that when he was tall enough to reach that mark he should go to war; but the war closed when he was fourteen. At an early age he went to Vermont and m., Aug. 12, 1791, Hannah-dau, of Timothy Olcott and Elizabeth Chandler of Chester, Windsor Co., Vt.-b. in Chester, Nov. 27, 1772. Her father was son of Timothy4, Timothy3, Thomas2, Thomas Olcott¹, who came from England in 1634 and was a merchant in Hartford, Conn. Her father's brother Simeon was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Hampshire, and his cousin, Peter Olcott, was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Vermont. Elizabeth was dau. of Colonel and Judge Thomas Chandler, who was son of Judge John Chandler of Worcester, Mass., and was fourth in descent from William and Annis Chandler of Roxbury, Mass. Thomas Chandler was Lieut. Colonel in the Expedition against Louisburg in 1745. He was the first settler in Chester and on account of his public services, the proprietors voted him and his two sons five hundred acres apiece, to be chosen by them. He got the charter of the township from the Governor of New York and named it Chester. His niece-Mary Chandler Bancroft-dau. of Judge John Chandler, Jr., of Worcester-was the mother of George Bancroft, the historian. Thomas Chandler's wife was Elizabethdau. of Judge John Eliot of Windsor, Conn .-- son of



Rev. John Eliot, Jr.—521, of Rev. John Eliot—the Apostle to the Indians. Rev. John Eliot, Jr., m. Elizabeth—dau. of Maj. Gen. Daniel Gookin.

Rev. John Eliot, called the Apostle Eliot, was born in Nazing, Essex Co., England. in 1603, graduated at Jesus College, Cambridge, in 1623, and came to America in the Lion in 1631. His wife was Ann Mumford. The Puritan Government of Massachusetts employed him as a missionary to Christianize the Indians and in this work he traveled on horseback hundreds of miles thru the forests. He died May 20, 1690. He translated the Bible into the Indian language; copies of this Bible are very rare now and bring a high price.

Timothy Olcott's mother was Eunice, dau. of Deacon and Ensign John White, son of Sergeant John, son of Elder John White of Cambridge, Mass., who came to Hartford, Conn., with Hooker's party, June, 1636. Sergeant John's wife was Sarah—dau. of Thomas Bunce—wife, Sarah Bull—who fought in the Pequod War in the company of his father-in-law—Capt. Thomas Bull. The latter is said to have "served well." In 1675, the first year of King Philip's War, Capt. Bull was in command at Saybrook, Conn., and successfully resisted Andros when he tried to take the place for his master—the Duke of York.

Joshua and Hannah settled in Grafton, Windham Co., Vt., where their three oldest children were born; then removed to Chester, Windsor Co., and bought a farm on the road running southwest from Chester village. He built a large farm house about a mile more



or less from the village. It stands there still on the north side of the road and may be known by the six stone steps that lead up to it. In 1819 they removed to Chateaugay, Franklin Co., N. Y., to that part of the town now called Burke. Here he bought a farm of a hundred acres and built another house. He d. of apoplexy April 26, 1829. Mrs. Beaman d. Mar. 19, 1829. Children:

254. Timothy, b. Jan. 13, 1793, 157

255. Joshua[†], b. Sept. 9, 1794,

256. Elias, b. Feb. 13, 1796, 170

257. Patty^t, b. Feb. 6, 1798,

258. Lucy[†], b. Dec. 27, 1799,

259. Hannah[†], b. Apr. 1, 1802,

260. Eunice¹, b. Jan. 26, 1804,

261. Emily, b. Apr. 10, 1806,

262. Austin, b. Dec. 3, 1808, 13

263. Sophia⁷, b. Feb. 5, 1811,

264. Fernando C.*, b. June 28, 1814,

265. Nancy, b. July 8, 1816,

266. Alonzo', b. Feb. 25, 1819.

Patty Beaman, (257) m. about 1820, Simeon—son of Azur Hawks and Abiah Eels—b. Sept. 18, 1890. His parents were from Deerfield, Mass., and removed to Chateaugay, N. Y. In later life he removed to Watervliet, Berrien Co., Mich., where Mrs. Hawks d. Jan. 12, 1863. Children:

Aurelia; Azur; Zeeb; Zelia; Hannah; J. Beaman; Hannah M.; Z. Cortez; Martha; Timothy B.



Lucy Beaman, (258) m. in 1820, Benjamin Hobbs, M. S. b. in Massachusetts, perhaps in Worcester. They settled in Ellenburg, N. Y., where Mrs. Hobbs d. July 17, 1843. Mr. Hobbs then m. her sister—Hannah Beaman—who d. April 12, 1845, without issue. Children:

Hannah; Henry; Benjamin, N. Y. Regt.; Mary; Joshua B., N. Y. Regt.; Thomas; Dr. Lucy B. Hobbs-Taylor; Maj. Edward H. Hobbs, 142d N. Y. Regt.; Lieut. Edgar, Co. A, 92d N. Y. Regt.; Julia.

Eunice Beaman', (260) m., Dec. 19, 1821, Royal Tyler Alvord and d. June 12, 1823, in Burke, N. Y. No issue.

Emily Beaman', (261) m. Joseph Stoughton and about 1844 removed to Hartford, Van Buren Co., Mich., where she d. Mar. 17, 1846. Children:

Betsy; Thomas; Elias; Sophia; Joseph; Antoinette; Victoria; Adelaide.

Sophia Beaman', (263) m., Mar. 2, 1834, James—son of William Wooden and Sarah Widener—b. in Geneva, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1801. They lived in Chili, Monroe Co., N. Y., where Mrs. Wooden d. Mar. 29, 1880. Children:

Eliza M.; Fernando C., Co. B, 35th Iowa Vol.
Infantry; Julia J.; Emily B.; Lodowick M.,
Co. G, 13th N. Y. Infantry, Co. K, 3d N. Y.
Cavalry; Matilda E.; Laura E.; Hiram E.;
Dr. Charles D. Wooden; Dr. Loretta
Wooden-Turner.



Nancy Beaman[†], (265) m., Oct. 24, 1839, James Bellows and settled in Belmont, N. Y., where she d. Mar. 24, 1852. Children:

Coralinn; Franklin; Emily; William; Nancy E.



THE FIRST WOMAN DENTIST.

"In the autumn of 1859, there appeared on the western horizon a cloud that struck terror into the hearts of the community, especially the male portion of it. People were amazed when they learned that a young girl had so far forgotten her womanhood as to want to learn dentistry.

At the present time it is impossible to give a just conception of the bitter opposition and the foolish objections that Lucy Beaman Hobbs had to meet. The main objection was that her place was at home taking care of the house. They forgot that she had no home and that was the reason why she wanted to learn dentistry.

She went from office to office. Some were afraid that their reputations would be ruined if it was known that they had a lady student, forgetting that ninetenths of their patrons were women. One was kind enough to propose to let her clean his office and look on while he workt, if she would not let any one know that she was learning. She indignantly refused; she was anxious to work but was a self-respecting woman.

She tried nearly every office in Cincinnati, O., and at last Dr. Samuel Wardle—a large hearted Christian gentleman—gave her a place in his office on the same footing as other students. To him belongs the honor of making it possible for women to enter this profession.

No pen can portray the privations of the next few



months. In a little attic room the nights were spent with the needle, earning a few pennies for the morning meal. In March, 1861, she was prepared for college and made application at the Ohio Dental College. Such boldness in a woman shockt the professors of so respectable an institution; of course they refused.

Dr. Wardle advised her to commence without a diploma as a large majority of the male practitioners of that time were not graduates; and accordingly she opened an office in a little plain building on 4th St., Cincinnati, but the war opened in April and business was paralyzed, so she went to Northern Iowa, a friend helping her to money to pay her fare. She opened an office and many called out of curiosity. The first year she made her expenses and the hundred dollars that paid for her dental chair. During the second year she made three thousand dollars; then her reputation widened till all Iowa knew of the woman who pulled teeth.

The Iowa Dental Association sent her an invitation to attend their State Convention. She accepted and the by-laws were changed and she was made a member. She was sent with the Iowa delegates to the American Dentist's Convention in Chicago and there met the professors from different colleges. And now the woman dentist with a well filled purse and the state of Iowa to back her, was a different person from the penniless girl of former years. The Iowa dentists made a formal demand for her admission to college, supported by a threat to withdraw the influence of the state from the one who refused it. The Ohio Dental



College at Cincinnati granted the request and she entered that same fall, graduating in March, 1866.

Prof. J. Taft, now of Michigan University, then Dean of the Ohio Dental College, wrote in 1866 to the Editors of the History of Woman Suffrage. 'Miss Hobbs was a woman of great energy and perseverance. Studious in her habits, modest and unassuming, she had the respect and kind regard of every member of the class and faculty. As an operator she was not surpast by her associates. In the final examination she was second to none.' In the autumn of 1867, Dr. Taylor, then recently married, removed to Lawrence, Kan., where she has practist for many years with great success. For eight years she was the only woman dentist in the world."

Dea. Timothy (Olcott) Beaman', (254) b. in Grafton, Windham Co., Vt., Jan. 13, 1793, went to Burke, Franklin Co., N. Y., in 1815 and settled on a farm. He m., May 25, 1817, Rebecca—dau. of Reuben Allen and Elizabeth Bedlow—b. in Plattsburg, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1798. "She was not related to Col. Ethan Allen." Elizabeth Bedlow's father—William Bedlow—served in the Revolution in the 2d N. Y. Regt. He is buried in Champlain, Clinton Co., N. Y. Timothy d. Feb. 13, 1859, of a fall. Mrs. Beaman d. Mar. 19, 1878, at the home of her son in Knoxville, Tenn. Children, b. in Burke:

361. Sally, b. July 16, 1818,

362. Orson⁸, b. Sept. 10, 1820,



363. Phebe⁸, b. Sept. 8, 1822; d. May 30, 1829.

364. William⁸, b. Nov. 4, 1824,

365. Orin⁸, b. Nov. 2, 1830,

366. Phebe8, b. Aug. 19, 1833,

367. Fernando C*., b. Dec. 25, 1836.

Sally Beaman*, (361) m. Rev. Andrew Millar—Pastor of the Congregational Church at Burke, N. Y. He preacht for fifty-four years in Franklin Co., all in Burke, except one year at Ft. Covington; also was Chaplain of the 16th N. Y. Regt. He d. Aug. 22, 1896. Mrs. Millar d. Nov. 1, 1864. Child:

Jean.

Phebe Beaman', (366) m. her cousin—Alonzo Beaman (372).

Orson (Allen) Beaman*, (362) m. (1), Mar. 2, 1846, Delia A. Clark—dau. of Asahel Clark—b. in Addison, Vt., Feb. 1, 1817; d. in Burke, N. Y., May 24, 1862; m. (2), Jan. 21, 1864, Cornelia—dau. of Samuel Smith—b. July 27, 1837, in Vermont; d. April 21, 1867; m. (3), Mar. 31, 1869, Mary—dau. of Robert Loudon and Margaret Brice—b. in Montreal, Canada, Oct. 28, 1836. In 1880 they removed from Burke to Gates, Monroe Co., N. Y., where they now reside. Children:

- 493. Marcia Mº.' b. Dec. 23, 1846,
- 494. Cassius C*., b. July 22, 1848,
- 495. Sarah D°., b. Jan. 31, 1850. 2d wife.



496. Myrtie I°., b. Nov. 17, 1864; m. Oct. 4, 1899, Rev. Frank J. Weeks, Pastor of the Gates Presbyterian Church, now Pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Wyoming, N. Y.

Marcia M. Beaman³, (493) m. George W. Martin. Children:

Anna; Charles; George; May; Mabel; Jean; Kittie. They live in Oakland, Cal.

Sarah D. Beaman', (495) m. in 1870, Charles F. Joy and lives in Raymondsville, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y. Children:

Minnie; Will.

Cassius C. Beaman, (494) b. in Burke, Franklin Co., N. Y., removed to Gates, Monroe Co., N. Y., and settled on a farm. He m., Feb. 25, 1874, Julia—dauof Frederick Rowe and Julia M. Sperry—b. in Gates, N. Y. Her mother was from New York City. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 6, 1909, aged 62 yrs. Children:

- 634. George Frederick¹⁰, b. July 29, d. Aug. 27, 1875.
- 635. Nellie J10., b. Aug. 23, 1776,
- 636. Freddie Rowe¹⁰, b. Oct. 27, 1877; d. March, 1886.
- 637. Mary 10, b. Aug. 20, d. Sept. 9, 1880.
- 638. Charles Orson¹⁰, b. Jan. 11, 1882,
- 639. Roy Cassius10, b. Sept. 9, 1887; d. at 1 yr.
- 640. Alfred Clark¹⁰, b. Mar. 7, 1889; d. at 1 week.



Nellie J. Beaman¹⁰, (635) was a student for two years at Livingston Park Seminary, Rochester, N. Y., and graduated at the Brockport Normal School in 1897. She m., Mar. 14, 1900, William—son of Thomas Jackling and Alice Miller—b. in Swaffham, Cambridgeshire, England. They live in Gates, N. Y.

Charles Orson Beaman¹⁰, (638) graduated at Rochester University in 1904, and m., June 28, 1806, Emogene—dau. of John Caswell of Brockport, N. Y. He is a teacher in the High School at Little Falls, N. Y. Child:

710. Orson Caswell^u, b. Jan. 19, 1908.

William (Allen) Beaman', (364) b. Nov. 4, 1824, m. (1), Mar. 9, 1848, Harriet Blanchard who d. Oct. 5, 1868; m. (2), Jan., 1873, Elvira McNab of Coche Co., Tenn. In 1857 he removed to Alba, Minn., and in 1873 to Reno Co., Kansas. He d. July 9, 1879, from injuries caused by the kick of a pony. He was a member of the M. E. Church. Children:

497. Meldrum Ro., b. Jan. 9, 1849,

498. Harlan P*., b. June 10, 1851; d. Nov. 11, 11, 1868.

499. Hannah R., b. Nov. 28, 1854,

500. Jennie L., b. April 29, 1858,

501. Roscoe T., b. Mar. 27, 1861.

Hannah R. Beaman, (499) m. Wilson Duggan and lives in Knoxville, Tenn.

Jean L. Beaman, (500) m., June 14, 1877, at Em-



poria, Kan., John Carson, b. in Cook Co., Ill., April 8, 1851; resides in Perry, Okla. Children:

Elmer S.; Ethel H.; Oscar Wilson.

Meldrum Royal Beaman', (497) b. in Burke, Franklin Co., N. Y., m. Oct. 6, 1878, Mary Caterine Cecil, b. in Adams Co., Ill., Sept. 22, 1858. He d.———. Children, all b. at Arlington, Kan., except youngest:

- 641. William Martin¹⁰, b. Sept. 22, 1879,
- 642. Tressie Shirley10, b. Dec. 8, 1881,
- 643. Charles Roscoe¹⁰, b. Feb. 22, 1884,
- 644. Glen Irving¹⁰, b. Nov. 18, 1885,
- 645. Abigail Harriet¹⁰, b. Oct. 8, 1887,
- 646. Cecil Fane10, b. Aug. 27, 1891,
- 647. Laura Jean¹⁰, b. Sept. 8, 1895, at Waynoka, Okla.

William Martin Beaman¹⁰, (641) m., Jan. 12, 1801, at Waynoka, Pearl M. Willard, b. in Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 22, 1882. They live in Waynoka, Okla. Children:

- 711. Eva C¹¹., b. Dec. 12, 1901,
- 712. Paul Mⁿ., b. Dec. 12, 1901.

Tressie S. Beaman¹⁰, (642) m., May 12, 1903, Oliver Perry Phillips, b. in Baylis, Ill., Oct. 12, 1878.

Roscoe Timothy Beaman*, (501) b. in Alba, Minn., m., Nov. 19, 1902, Mary C. Cecil—widow of his brother Meldrum. They live at Waynoka, Okla.

Orin (Allen) Beaman⁸, (365) b. Nov. 2, 1830,



served in the 6th N. Y. Independent Horse Battery, about one year; was in one battle, at Wilson's Creek. In 1875 he removed to Knoxville, Tenn.; and about 1881, to Sycamore Springs, Kan., where he was killed by lightning, June 15, 1889, during a violent storm. He m., June 28, 1855, Emeline—dau. of Luther Shaw and Lydia Dillaber, of Chicopee, Mass. Children, b. in Burke:

- 502. Ira D⁹., b. June 15, 1856; d. Mar. 20, 1878, unmarried.
- 503. Timothy L⁹., b. July 10, 1859,
- 504. Elmer A⁹., b. Dec. 4, 1861; d. Aug. 30, 1865.
- 505. Orin E⁹., b. May 30, 1864,
- Ernest B^s., b. June 10, 1867; lives at Sycamore Springs, Kan.
- Ida E^{*}., b. Aug. 20, 1869; lives at Sycamore Springs, Kan.
- Willie G*, b. Feb. 26, 1873; d. Sept. 28, 1903, unmarried.

Timothy L. Beaman, (503) is a member of the firm of C. R. Love and Co. of Knoxville, Tenn., dealers in agricultural implements, etc. He m., Dec. 18, 1883, Annie G.—dau. of Hardin Hill and Malinda Bond—b. in Knoxville, Feb. 15, 1861. Children:

- 649. Harry E¹⁰., b. Feb. 2, 1885; class of 1908, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
- 650. Irene¹⁰, b. Feb. 9, 1889,
- 651. Linda10, b. Jan. 16, d. April 12, 1895.
- 652. Chalmers H10., b. Mar. 24, 1897.



Orin E. Beaman', (505) is proprietor of a shoe store in Webb City, Mo. He m., Jan. 20, 1887, Aldora—dau. of Nathan Rector and Mary E. Duval—b. in Circleville, O., Oct. 13, 1867. Children:

- 653. Mary Grace¹⁰, b. Nov. 20, 1887, in Eldorado, Kan.; m. Jan. 4, 1905, Charles Arthur Lowry, who d. April 17, 1906.
- 654. Hazel May¹⁰, b. Jan. 6, 1892; d. June 30, 1893.
- 655. Orin E[∞]., Jr., b. Aug. 22, 1894, in Webb City, Mo.
- 656. Dorothy10, b. June 1, 1900,
- 657. Nathan Curtis10, b. April 4, 1903.

Capt. Fernando C. (Allen) Beaman*, (367) b. Dec. 25, 1836, was a student in Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt., in the class of 1861, but left three months before graduating to enlist in the 98th N. Y. Vol. Infantry, and became Captain of Co. G in that regiment. He was in many of the fierce battles near Richmond, was in the Commissary Department part of the time, and was mustered out in the autumn of 1865. He settled in Knoxville, Tenn., and m., Feb. 4, 1868, Mary Jane Sherrod—dau. of Jonathan Sherrod and Charlotte Balis—b. in Knox Co., Tenn., June 13, 1850. He lives in Knoxville. Mrs. Beaman d. Aug. 1, 1901. Children, b. in Knoxville:

- 509. Orin Cortez⁹, b. Nov. 25, 1868,
- 510. Ruth, b. Oct. 1, 1870,
- 511. Blanche, b. Aug. 29, 1872,
- 512. Clarence, b. Sept. 1, 1875,



- 513. Margaret Jane⁹, b. Dec. 10, 1877,
- 514. Ernest Andrew⁹, b. Mar. 2, 1880; is in the lumber business.
- 515. James Garfield', b. May 26, 1882,
- 516. Roy, b. June 24, 1887; d. April 3, 1888.
- 517. Olive May, b. May 30, 1889,
- 518. Jonathan Homer⁹, b. Jan. 15, 1891.

Ruth Beaman, (510) a graduate of Knoxville City Schools in 1889, m., Jan. 16, 1890, Jacob Dee—son of James Aston and Mary Ellen Taylor—b. in Greene Co., Tenn., Oct. 25, 1862; he d. Mar. 23, 1897. Children:

Arthur Fernando; Herbert Dee; Frederick Edwin.

Blanche Beaman, (511) m., Dec. 7, 1892, James Montravil—son of James Henry English and Mary Elizabeth McCall—b. Mar. 3, 1868. They live in Ashville, N. C. Children:

Charles Eugene; Clarence; Mary; Ola; Ruth.

Margaret Jane Beaman, (513) a graduate of the University of Tennessee in 1899, m., June 18, 1906, William George—son of John D. Phelps and Elizabeth Phelps. Child:

William Beaman.

Orin C. Beaman, (509) m., June 20, 1894, Ida Lucille—dau. of John Anderson Roberts and Narcissa Emeline Sawyers—b. Sept. 6, 1872, in Knox Co., Tenn. He is in the shoe business in Knoxville. Children:

658. Archie Keith¹⁰, b. Sept. 6, 1895,



- 659. Dean Melvin¹⁰, b. Feb. 10, 1898,
- 660. Mary Helen¹⁰, b. Feb. 10, 1898.

Clarence Beaman, (512) m., June 15, 1904, Cora E.—dau. of James Alexander Goddard and Elizabeth E. Wayland—b. at Trundles X Roads. Tenn., Aug. 5, 1879. He is in the shoe business in Knoxville. Child: 661. Mary Elizabeth, b. Mar. 15, 1906.

James Garfield Beaman, (515) a graduate of the University of Tennessee—m., Sept. 4, 1906, Hazel Elizabeth—dau. of C. A. Rosenbeck and Jennie Davis—b. in Springfield, O., Aug. 19, 1884.

turm ps Joshua (Olcott) Beaman', (255) b. Sept. 9, 1794, enlisted as a drummer with the Green Mountain Boys during the War of 1812, but peace was declared before he came into an engagement. He removed to Gates, Monroe Co., N. Y., when a young man, and bought a farm. This was only a few miles from Lake Ontario, and it is related that at one time when there was some trouble with Canada, a horseman came galloping thru the town, shouting, "Turn out. Turn out. The British are going to land at the mouth of the river." Mr. Beaman and his neighbors shouldered their muskets and went down to the mouth of the Genesee and lav in the woods all night, waiting for the British, who however failed to come. He m., Jan. 10, 1822, Elizadau. of Theron Shepard and Huldah Hart-b. in Hamilton, N. Y., Aug. 13, 1803. He d. of apoplexy, Dec. 29, 1870. Mrs. Beaman d. April 24, 1886. Children, b. in Gates:



368. Hannah Os., b. Dec. 3, 1822,

369. Maria⁸, b. Jan. 2, 1825,

370. Eliza Janes, b. Nov. 22, 1827,

371. Martha S'., b. Feb. 6, 1830,

372. Alonzo⁸, b. Dec. 9, 1831,

373. Andrew⁸, b. Sept. 25, 1834,

374. Mary⁸, b. April 24, 1841; d. in 1849.

Hannah O. Beaman⁸, (368) m., May 20, 1841, Harry—son of Theron Webster and Sarah Wickham—b. in Cherry Valley, N. Y. His grandfather, Aaron Webster, fought in the Revolution. Aaron said he had never stolen anything but once; he and another soldier were barefoot, and he went to a shoe store. He had just enough money to pay for a pair of shoes for himself, and he stole a pair for the other soldier. Mr. and Mrs. Webster lived on a farm at N. Chili, N. Y., where she d. Dec. 21, 1895. Children:

Joshua; Alonzo; Hattie.

Maria Beaman⁸, (369) m., May 20, 1849, Roswell—son of Eber J. Hart and Sophia Root—b. in Brighton, N. Y., May, 1823. In 1854 they removed to Hartford, Mich., where Mrs. Hart d. Aug. 8, 1900. Children:

Mary; Ernest; Burdett; Harry; Ella; Julia; Austin.

Eliza Jane Beaman^s, (370) m., April 15, 1851, Elijah—son of Eber J. Hart and Sophia Root—b. in Brighton, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1825. Mrs. Hart lives on her farm in Chili, N. Y. Children:

Rosella; James; Ida.



Martha S. Beaman⁸, (371) m., June 9, 1852, Nelson—son of Wm. Brown and Abigail Decker—b. Feb. 7, 1821, in Chili, N. Y. Mrs. Brown lives in Rochester, N. Y. Children:

Beaman J.; Nellie S.

Alonzo (Shepard) Beaman⁸, (372) served in the Civil War in Capt. H. W. Peck's Co. D, 1st Wis. Heavy Artillery, enrolled Sept. 2, 1864, for one year or the war; discharged June 30, 1865, at New Orleans, La.; stationed at the Fort in Brashear City, La. He m., Feb. 5, 1854, Phebe—dau. of Timothy Beaman and Rebecca Allen—b. in Burke, N. Y., Aug. 19, 1833. They removed to Wisconsin where he d. at Auroraville, May 22, 1901. Mrs. Beaman d. Nov. 26, 1906. Children:

- 519. Ellie Eliza, b. Aug. 7, 1857; d. Oct. 9, 1859.
- 520. Ellie J., b. Mar. 27, 1860; d. Feb. 11, 1874.
- 521. Elmer D^o., b. June 14, 1863,
- 522. Nettie R., b. May 27, 1866,
- 523. Bertha J³., b. Nov. 12, 1868; d. Dec. 30, 1881.
- 524. Fred A., b. Oct. 19, 1871,
- 525. Austin G., b. May 28, 1875.

Nettie R. Beaman', (522) m., Sept. 17, 1885, Edgar—son of Clarendon Walker and Mary Billings—b. in Green Lake, Wis., Oct. 12, 1861. They live in Auroraville, Wis. Children:

Clarendon G.; Nina B.; Millard B.; Ruth M.



Elmer D. Beaman', (521) m., Sept. 4, 1884, Ella—dau. of Wm. Sherman and Harriet Goff—b. in Racine, Wis., Mar. 22, 1865; residence, Berlin, Wis. Children:

- Edward¹⁰, b. May 21, 1886; m. Mildred Mitchell, b. Sept. 19, 1888.
- 663. Ernest10, b. Dec. 8, 1888,
- 664. Elva10, b. Aug. 19, 1891,
- 665. Elmer10, Jr., b. April 10, 1894,
- 666. Earl10, b. Oct. 5, 1897,
- 667. Mildred10, b. May 17, 1900,
- 668. Claire10, b. June 21, 1903,
- 669. Lois10, b. Nov. 15, 1906.

Fred A. Beaman, (524) m., Oct. 24, 1894, Marian J.—dau. of John Peters and Ellen Cummings—b. Mar. 22, 1875; residence. Pine River, Wis. Children:

- 670. Lucy10, b. July 30, 1895,
- 671. Leo W10., b. Mar. 3, 1898,
- 672. Marian E10., b. July 11, 1905.

Austin G. Beaman, (525) m., Nov. 2, 1898, Lina—dau. of John Nighbor and Minnie Vidner—b. Jan. 17, 1881; resides in Oshkosh, Wis. Children:

- 673. Florence¹⁰, b. April 4, 1900,
- 674. Arnold¹⁰, b. Oct. 11, 1907.

Andrew Beaman^s, (373) b. in Gates, Monroe Co., N. Y., Sept. 25, 1834, m., Sept. 26, 1860, Anna—dau. of Thomas Roe and Lydia Moore—b. in Gates, Mar. 28, 1842. Her parents were from in or near Portsmouth, England. Mr. Beaman bought a farm in Og-



den, Monroe Co., N. Y., where they now reside. Children, b. in Ogden:

526. Willis Henry, b. July 18, 1861,

527. Frank Cortez', b. Nov. 5, 1863,

528. Charles Andrew, b. Sept. 27, 1867,

529. Clara Lydia⁹, b. Sept. 3, 1872; d. Oct. 20, 1876.

530. Grace Irene⁹, b. Mar. 7, 1878,

531. Edwin Roe⁹, b. Jan. 26, 1881.

Grace I. Beaman, (530) m., Nov. 24, 1897, Howard—son of Daniel Bly and Anna Marshall—b. in Chili, N. Y. They reside in Gates, N. Y.

Willis H. Beaman', (526) m. Elizabeth Lippert; they live in Gates, N. Y. Children:

675. Arthur10, b. May 20, 1888,

676. Gertrude10,

677. Pearl¹⁰,

678. Bertha¹⁰,

679. Anna¹⁰, 680. Mabel¹⁰.

ooo. Maser.

Frank C. Beaman, (527) m., April 22, 1885, Ida Wake and lives in Gates, N. Y. Children:

681. Roy10, b. Mar. 17, 1886,

682. Ward¹⁰, b. Nov. 6, 1888,

683. Edith¹⁶, b. Sept. 26, 1892,

684. Grace¹⁰, b. Feb. 22, 1897.

Charles A. Beaman', (528) m. Jennie McLary and lives in Ogden, N. Y. Children:



685. Charles Stanley10, b. May 16, 1893,

686. Anna Maude™, b. Dec. 29, 1895,

687. Andrew Jay10, b. Sept. 25, 1897,

688. Edwin Thomas 10, b. April 13, 1902.

Elias (Olcott) Beaman', (256) b. in Grafton, Windham Co., Vt., Feb. 13, 1796, removed to Ohio and d. Aug. 3, 1841, at Prebleton, O. He m. Susan Starks who d. near Chillicothe, O., April 11, 1840. Children, b. in Chateaugay, Franklin Co., N. Y.:

375. Joshua^s, b. Nov. 4, 1821,

 376. Melissa E^s., b. Nov. 12, 1824; d. Sept. 17, 1826.

377. Austin³, b. June 11, 1826,

378. Susan As., b. Aug. 22, 1828,

 Lucius^s, b. Sept. 2, 1830, in Ellenburg, N. Y.; d. Feb., 1847.

380. Melissa E^s., b. Jan. 11, 1833; d. Sept. 12, 1835.

381. Nancy⁸, b. June 11, 1835. in Columbia, O.,

382. Elias Olcott, b. Sept. 13, 1837; d. unmarried, Oct., 1876, at Camden, N. J. See /1./44.

383. Sarah Jane*, b. Feb. 20, 1840, at Chillicothe, O.

Nancy Beaman^s, (381) m. Orlo W. Cone, and settled in Chillicothe, O.

Sarah J. Beaman*, (383) m. Micajah Gibbs, and settled in Brighton, Macoupin Co., Ill.

Joshua (Starks) Beaman⁸, (375) served in the Mex-



ican War under Gen. Scott in Co. K, 3d U. S. Dragoons; "was in Battles of Cerro Gordo, the Siege of Puebla, and San Garilla." In the Civil War he was in the service from Jan. 1, 1864 to July 1, 1865, in Co. B, 6th Mich. Cavalry, in the 1st Brigade of the 1st Cav. Div., under Gens. Custer and Sheridan. "I was in the Battles of the Wilderness and up to Petersburg in the spring of 1864, and then went into the Valley of the Shenandoah; had the fights of Winchester, Sept. 19, and Cedar Creek, Oct. 19, 'when Sheridan was twenty miles away;' then back to Appomattox to the Surrender of Lee, April 9, 1865." He m. (1) Sarah Ann-dau, of Jacob Lane, and settled in Addison, Lenawee Co., Mich., where she died; m. (2), July 24, 1854, Mary P .- dau. of Hiram Hodges and Margaret Bolev-b. in New York State, Dec. 2, 1830. Children:

- 532. William R*., b. Oct. 1, 1850; m. Alice —— and lived in Lucerne, Minn.
- 533. Emma Eudora*, b. Feb. 8, 1853, 2d wife.
- 534. Ella Susan⁹, b. Oct. 1, 1855,
- 535. Fred J^o., b. Feb. 25, 1860.
- 536. Maggie R³., b. Jan. 3, 1863; all b. in Addison, Mich., except the younger son. Joshua d. May 14, 1905, in Addison, Mich., aged 83 yrs.

Ella S. Beaman, (534) m., Aug. 21, 1878, William H. Mills and lives in Hudson, Mich.



Maggie Beaman, (536) m., Nov. 4, 1881, Eugene H. Hadden and lives in Clayton, Mich.

Fred J. Beaman, (535) b. in Brighton, Macoupin Co., Ill., m., June 28, 1888, Grace Alice—dau. of James T. Berry and Mary Wilkinson—b. in Jackson, Mich., Dec. 24, 1869. He is private secrtary to the Congressman from that district, but his home is in Jackson. Children:

689. Mabel¹⁰, b. May 24, 1889; d. May 1, 1894.

690. Berry¹⁰, b. Aug. 15, 1890,

691. Margaret¹⁰, b. May 29, 1893; d. May 14, 1894.

692. Esther10, b. May 20, 1895; d. Dec. 20, 1902.

693. Townshend Frederick¹⁰, b. May 12, 1906,

694. Priscilla10, b. Nov. 8, 1907.

Austin (Starks) Beaman*, (377) b. June 11, 1826, served five years in the Regular Army, in Co. G. 6th U. S. Infantry, on the frontier among the Indians; term of service included the Mexican War. In the Civil War he served one year in Co. B, 144th Ill. Vol. Infantry; was in the Commissary Department and present at the Battle of Pittsburg Landing. He m. Louisa E.—dau. of Elisha Hollowell—b. at Upper Alton, Ill., Mar. 13, 1839; address, Walden Station, Howard St., Chicago, Ill. Children:

537. Susan May'.

538. Florence Marion',

539. Frederick Elias',

540. Ernest⁹.



Austin (Olcott) Beaman[†], (262) b. Dec. 3, 1808, m., May 25, 1831, Rhoda—dau. of Azur Hawks and Abiah Eels—b. in Chateaugay, N. Y., May 31, 1808,—parents from Deerfield, Mass. Austin removed to Gates and then to Ogden, N. Y.; but about 1843, to Watervliet, Berrien Co., Mich., and still later to Hartford, Van Buren Co., Mich. Mrs. Beaman d. in Watervliet, Mich., June 20, 1873. Mr. Beaman d. April 12, 1874. Children:

- 384. Azur8, b. Aug. 24, 1832,
- 385. Rhoda A*., b. May 30, 1835; d. Oct. 12, 1904.
- 386. Eunice A*., b. May 13, 1838,
- 387. Ellen S'., b. Mar. 5, 1842,
- 388. Lucy H^s., b. April 17, 1844; d. Aug. 29, 1866.
- 389. Austin S⁵., b. Dec. 13, 1847,
- 390. Joshua C8., b. Feb. 1, 1852.

Azur Beaman^s, (384) b. in Gates, N. Y., m., Dec. 31, 1859, Helen Fish. He served in the Civil War in Co. F, 13th Mich. Infantry; enlisted Sept. 24, 1864; joined the regiment at Chattanooga, Tenn.; went on Sherman's March to the Sea and d. of sickness at Savannah, Ga., Jan. 11, 1865. No issue.

Eunice A. Beaman⁸, (386) m., Jan. 20, 1856, John—son of Daniel Hammel of Hartford, Mich. He served in Co. F, 13th Mich. Infantry; enrolled at Kalamazoo, Mich.; went on Sherman's March to the Sea; was in the Battle of Bentonville, N. C., Mar. 19, 1865, and



was discharged from McDougal Hospital, New York, July 4, 1865. They settled on a farm in Hartford, where Mrs. Hammel d. Sept. 22, 1899. Children:

Azur; John, Jr.; Ola; Agnes; Bertha.

Ellen S. Beaman^s, (387) m., July 29, 1860, Simon D.—son of Edwin Brown—b. in Ohio. She d. in Watervliet, Mich., Mar. 14, 1889. Children: Elwood: Pearl.

Austin S. Beaman*, (389) b. in Hartford, Van Buren Co., Mich., m., Oct. 17, 1874, Rosabel—dau. of Ruel Phillips and Rachel Ryar of Milburg, Mich. b. in Indiana. He d. Mar. 21, 1966. Children:

541. Mary (McCuen),

542. Edwin,

543. Ruel³.

Joshua C. Beaman*, (390) b. in Hartford, Mich., m., July 11, 1879, Ella May—dau. of Ephraim Stout and Sabatha Phenious of Howard Lake, Minn.—b. in Indiana. He d. Jan. 3, 1803, at Birmingham, Ala. Children:

544. Charles,

545. Eva³.

Hon. Fernando C. (Olcott) Beaman', (264) b. June 28, 1814, removed with his parents to Chateaugay, N. Y., in 1819. He began teaching school at the age of fifteen and obtained his education at the Franklin Co. Academy. He studied law in Rochester, N. Y., and removed to Michigan in 1838, and in 1843 settled in



Adrian, Mich. He was six years Prosecuting Attorney for Lenawee Co.; was Judge of Probate four years; was a Fremont Presidential Elector in 1856; and in 1860 was elected a Representative in the 37th Congress, serving ten years in the House of Representatives during the most eventful period of the country's history. In 1870 he declined a re-election on account of his health, and for the same reason when appointed U. S. Senator to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Zach, Chandler, he did not qualify. He was a man of principle and sound political judgment, and in the early years of his legal practise the people of Lenawee Co., named him "the honest lawyer"; and at the time of his death the press of Michigan declared of him that when in Congress, tho in an age of great political corruption, he would never sell his vote to the railway companies. He m., May 10, 1841, Marydau. of Ira and Fear Goodrich of Brockport, N. Y .b. in Granville, N. Y., Mar. 16, 1818, and d. in Adrian, Sept., 1894. Mr. Beaman d. Sept. 27, 1882. Children:

- 391. Mary Antoinette⁸, b. Mar. 4, 1842,
- 392. C. Elwood⁸, b. Mar. 12, 1845; d. July 5, 1846.
- Roscoe W*., b. July 18, 1847; d. Aug. 31, 1877. No issue.

Antoinette Beaman*, (391) was educated at Miss Willard's Seminary at Troy, N. Y. She m., Nov. 13, 1867, Rienzi H.—son of Hiram Baker and Jerusha Sawtelle—b. at Dexter, Mich., Nov. 3, 1840. She d.



July 18, 1907. Mr. Baker d. March, 1906. Children: Leslie Beaman; Mary Louise.

Alonzo (Olcott) Beaman[†], (266) b. in Chester, Windsor Co., Vt., Feb. 25, 1819, m. (1), Oct. 27, 1842, Mary E. Erwin, and removed to Watervliet, Mich., where Mrs. Beaman d. Mar. 30, 1845; m. (2), Mar. 9, 1848, Sarah—dau. of Zephania K. Stickney and Lucy Earle. In 1860 they removed to Iowa, where Mrs. Beaman d. July 26, 1890. Mr. Beaman d. on his farm in Bussey, Iowa, July 6, 1894. Children:

Marcia^s, b. Dec. 26, 1844; d. June 20, 1864.
 2d wife.

395. Alfred', b. Sept. 13, 1849; d. April 25, 1851.

396. Edgar A., b. July 24, 1852,

397. Albert⁸, b. Oct. 6, 1860,

398. Julius, b. Dec. 14, 1862; d. Aug. 18, 1893, unmarried.

Edgar A. Beaman⁸, (396) b. in Watervliet, Berrien Co., Mich., m. Ella A.—dau. of Joseph Taylor and Eliza J. Miller—b. in Burlington, Ia., July 24, 1858, and d. Nov. 26, 1903. Mr. Beaman lives at Prattburg, Kan. Children:

- 546. Clyde F*., b. April 30, 1881, at Oskaloosa, Ia.
- 547. Fred C., b. June 18, 1883, at Oskaloosa, Ia.
- 548. Burrell J*., b. Sept. 18, 1885, at Oskaloosa,
- 549. Alonzo P°., b. May 11, 1888, at Lincoln Pt., Kan.



- 550. Leroy, b. June 3, 1890, in Pratt Co., Kan.
- Martia E^s., b. Nov. 4, 1902, in Pratt Co., Kan.
- Edgar Earle, b. April 25, 1895; d. July 26, 1896.
- 553. Monte M°., b. June 6, 1897,
- 554. Flossie, b. Sept. 7, 1900.

Albert Beaman⁸, (397) b. at Vinton, Benton Co., Iowa, m., Feb. 8, 1888, Catherine—dau. of Thomas S. Jones and Sarah Wyatt. They live in Oskaloosa, Ia. Children:

- 555. Rena Pearl⁹, b. Aug. 25, 1889,
- 556. Gertrude Faye, b. Oct. 4, 1892.

Nathaniel Holland Beaman⁵, (84) b. in Lancaster, Worcester Co., Mass., Oct. 5, 1747, served in the Revolution: Nathaniel Beaman, private in Capt. Samuel Sawyer's Co., marcht July 22, 1776, to the regiment of Col. Jonathan Smith; served at New York and in the Battle of Kip's Bay, Sept. 15-service till Dec. 1, 1776; also, 2d Lieut, in 1st Co., 2d Worcester Co. regt., commissioned Mar. 11, 1778; also, 1st Lieut. in Capt. John White's Co., Col. Abijah Stearns's regt., pay roll for service from April 1 to July 2, 1778, at Boston; also 1st Lieut. in Capt. Daniel Rugg, Ir.'s (1st) co., Col., Josiah Whitney's (2d Worcester Co.) regt., commissioned June 17, 1779. July 1, 1781, he was commissioned as Captain in 1st Co., Col. Josiah Whitney's regt., and in 1787 was Captain of a company which helpt to suppress Shav's Rebellion, serving



from Jan. 15 to Feb. 21, 1787. (See p. 47.) He was town clerk of Lancaster, selectman, and a member of a committee for hiring soldiers. He m., April 10, 1770, in Leominster, Thankful Farnsworth of that town, b. Aug. 14, 1752. They settled in the town of Sterling. He lived on the opposite side of the road from his brother Joseph, and his well is still in existence. In 1806 Nathaniel and Thankful were dismist to the Church of Christ in Newport, Canada, but the family nearly all came back to the States. Nathaniel d. May 17, 1817, at Rutland, Vt. Thankful applied for a pension Oct. 23, 1837, living then at Newport, Sherbrooke Co., Lower Canada. A son Nathaniel was alive at that time. Children:

157. Sophia⁶, b. Feb. 11, 1771,

158. Deborah^e, b. Mar. 1, 1773; d. April 22, 1817.

159. Betsy⁶, b. April 27, 1775,

160. Abigail6, b. Feb. 12, 1778,

161. Nathaniel, b. April 17, 1780,

162. John⁶, b. Mar. 25, 1782; d. May 5, 1785.

163. Jonas Farnsworth⁶, b. Feb. 14, 1784,

164. Henry, b. Dec. 26, 1785,

165. Samuel^e, b. Nov. 21, 1787,

166. John⁶, b. Aug. 22, 1789,

167. Stephen, b. Sept. 28, 1791,

168. Nancy⁶, b. Mar. 21, 1794,

169. Sally, b. Jan. 14, 1798; m. John Ruggles.

Sophia Beaman*, (157) m., Oct. 8, 1793, John White 3d—son of Capt. John White and Lydia Jefts—b. Jan.



10, 1769. She d. of consumption, April 12, 1803. Children:

Jonas Beaman; Sophia; Patty.

Betsy Beaman^e, (159) m., Jan. 27, 1796, Jonas—son of Nathaniel Joslin and Mary Bennett of Lancaster—bapt. April 10, 1774. Children:

James; Eliza; Jonas; Peter; Nathaniel; William; Lucy; Mary.



GAMALIEL; JOHN; GAMALIEL.

Gamalie! Thornton Beaman³, (15) b. in Lancaster, Worcester Co., Mass., Feb. 29, 1684-85, was the first settler in the town of Sterling. He was called the "irrepressible," for his persistence in calling for a church in that part of the town, which was obtained in 1742. He m. Mary-dau. of Jonas Houghton and Mary Berbeane of Lancaster, and granddaughter of the first John Houghton, who came from England in the Abigail, in 1635, "being then a mere boy." John Houghton was one of the original proprietors of Lancaster and brought with him two hundred fifty pounds in money. His wife's name was Beatrix. After Jonas Houghton's death in 1723, Gamaliel and Mary sold her share of her father's estate to her brother, Stephen Houghton, for fifty pounds; deed recorded at East Cambridge. Gamaliel d. Oct. 26, 1745, and was the first person buried in the Burial Ground at Sterling Center. His wife was mentioned in his will, drawn shortly before his death. Children:

- 39. Mary*,
- 40. Eunice⁴,
- 41. Elizabeth',
- 42. Phineas', b. in 1718.
- 43. Zerviah'; d. unmarried.
- 44. Lois',
- 45. Dinah', b. Sept. 20, 1728.



Mary Houghton Beaman', (39) m., Dec. 11, 1729, Nathaniel Wilder. Child:

Nathaniel, Jr.

Eunice Houghton Beaman*, (40) m. in 1733, Jonas—son of John Wilder and Sarah Sawyer—b. in Lancaster, Nov. 16, 1701. He had m. (1) her aunt—Eunice Thornton Beaman. After his second marriage Jonas removed to Lyme, Conn., then to Hartland, Conn., where he d. at the age of 96 yrs. They had nine children, one being named Gamaliel Beaman.

Elizabeth Houghton Beaman*. (41) m., June 21, 1739, David Jewett, and d. a year or two later. Child: Elizabeth.

Lois Houghton Beaman', (44) m., Oct. 10, 1745, Gideon Brockway of Lyme, Mass.

Dinah Houghton Beaman*, (45) m., Dec. 26, 1757, John Bewney.

Phineas Houghton Beaman*, (42) built the first frame house that succeeded the old log homestead. In 1740 he m. Joanna—dau. of Josiah White, Jr., and Abigail Whitcomb—b. in Lancaster, Sept. 20, 1721. Her gr. grandfather was the first John White, one of the original proprietors, who came from Salem, bringing with him three hundred eighty pounds in money. His daughter Mary—wife of Rev. Joseph Rowlandson—was the heroine of the well known Indian Captivity. Capt. John White, the famous Indian fighter,



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was Joanna's uncle. Josiah White, Sr. m. Mary Rice of Marlboro, Mass. Abigail Whitcomb was the dau. of Josiah Whitcomb and Rebecca Waters, granddau. of the first John Whitcomb, one of the first proprietors. Rebecca was dau. of Lawrence Waters, also one of the proprietors. Phineas Beaman d. in Sterling, Mar. 16, 1803. Joanna d. in 1799. Children, b. in Sterling:

- 85. Joanna⁵, b. April 4, 1741,
- 86. Phineas⁵, b. April 20, 1742,
- 87. Josiah⁵. b. July 1, 1743; died.
- 88. Elizabeth⁵, b. July 1, 1745,
- 89. Lemuel³, b. Oct. 2, 1746,
- 90. Silence⁵, b. Aug. 31, 1747,
- 91. Gamaliel³, b. Dec. 4, 1748,
- 92. Jonas⁵, b. July 12, 1750,
- 93. Josiah⁵, b. Oct. 2, 1752,
- 94. Benjamin⁵, b. April 10, 1754,
- 95. Mary, b. Dec. 28, 1755,
- 96. Elisha⁵, b. June 5, 1757,
- 97. David⁵, bapt. Dec. 10, 1758,
- 98. Abigail⁵, b. July 14, 1760,
- 99. Gideon⁵, b. July 12, 1763.

Joanna Beaman⁵, (85) m., Jan. 17, 1760, Jonathan—son of Jonathan Osgood and Asenath Sawyer—b. in Lancaster, May 18, 1736. He had a son—Jonathan 3d—by his first wife, Abigail Whitcomb. Children: Abigail; Elihu; Silence; Samuel; Phineas; Betty; Sophia.

Elizabeth Beaman³, (88) m., Jan. 16, 1763, John



—son of Ephraim Boynton and Sarah Stewart of Shrewsbury—b. in Rowley, Mass., Sept. 8, 1736. His first wife was her cousin, Elizabeth Beaman Jewett, who d. without issue. He was a "tall, spare man with a powerful voice and was called the Colonel who fought unto the Revolution." His descendants have three commissions that were granted to him. He d. in Weathersfield, Vt., in 1825. Mrs. Boynton d. before 1794. Children:

Jewett; Ephraim; Beaman; John; David; Elizabeth Beaman; Sarah; Hannah; Cyrus;
Nancy; Paul.

Silence Beaman⁵, (90) m., Jan. 20, 1773, Levi—son of James Carter and Mary Walker—b. in Lancaster, Mar. 28, 1748. She d. a widow, Nov. 23, 1823. Children:

James; Joanna or Nancy; Silence; Luke.

Josiah White Beaman⁵, (93) m. and lived in Shutesbury, Mass.

Abigail Beaman⁵, (98) m. James Brown.

In his will drawn in 1794, Phineas mentions the children of his deceased dau. Elizabeth, and all his other children except Benjamin, Mary and David, so that it is probable that these three had died, and without issue.

Phineas White Beaman⁶, (86) perhaps fought in the Revolution in the company of Capt. Abner Cranston



of Harvard, Col. Asa Whitcomb's regiment. A Phineas Beaman signed a receipt dated Prospect Hill, for wages during Sept., 1775. Mass. Archives.

He m. in 1773, Hannah—dau. of Ebenezer Buss and Keziah Houghton—b. in Lancaster, Feb. 24, 1749. She was granddaughter of John and Hannah Buss. Phineas settled in Princeton, Worcester Co., Mass., before his marriage and remained there, dying in 1830. Mrs. Beaman d. in 1822. Children, b. in Princeton:

170. Hannah⁶, b. in 1774,

171. Eunice⁶, b. in 1777,

172. Phineas 3d6, b. in 1780,

173. Gamaliel^e, b. Aug. 7, 1783,

174. Nabby⁶, b. in 1787.

Hannah Beaman⁶, (170) m. in 1774, Robert Bailey Thomas, b. in W. Boylston, Mass., April 24, 1766. He was an editor, and also prepared annually for the press, The Farmer's Almanac, printed in Boston from 1793 to 1846. He d. in W. Boylston, May 16, 1846.

Nabby Beaman*, (174) m. Capt. Samuel Brooks of Princeton, Mass.

Phineas Beaman 3d^e, (172) m. in 1803, Phebe Merriam, b. in 1786. They lived in Princeton where he d. in 1848. Mrs. Beaman d. in 1874. Children:

267. Maria Merriam⁷, b. in 1804; d. in 1828.

268. Fidelia, b. in 1807.

269. Amos Merriam', b. and d. in 1808.

270. Phebe¹, b. in 1812,

271. Hannah Thomas', b. in 1815; d. in 1828.



- 272. Lydia Miriam⁷, b. in 1817,
- 273. Phineas Alden[†], b. in 1819,
- 274. Winslow Emerson⁷, b. in 1821,
- 275. Abigail Florella[†], b. in 1823,
- 276. Elmira Cordelia[†], b. in 1825,
- 277. Samuel[†], b. in 182-; d. in 1887.

Phineas Alden Beaman^r, (273) m. in 1844, Harriet Thompson and lived in Princeton, where he d. in 1894. Children:

- 399. Algernon Thomson', b. Jan. 16, 1847,
- 400. Harriet Ella8, b. in 1853; d. in 1862.
- 401. Harry Clayton's, b. in 1863.

Algernon T. Beaman, (399) m. (1), Oct. 15, 1873, his cousin—Luella Agnes Otis of Watertown, Mass. They lived in Princeton where she d. April 14, 1876, aged 28 yrs. He m. (2), Dec. 14, 1882, Keziah Heckman of Bridgewater, N. S. They reside in Princeton. Children:

- 557. Harriet Elizabeth, b. July 16, 1874, 2d wife.
- 558. Luella Otis⁹, b. July 12, 1884,
- 559. Phineas Alden', b. May 4, 1886,
- 560. Ralph Heckman, b. Mar. 19, 1888.

Harry Clayton Beaman⁸, (401) graduated at Harvard College in 1885. He m. in Chillicothe, O., Nov. 10, 1887, Jennie Hoover Bartlett of that town, whose father was a native of Sterling, Mass. They lived in Chillicothe for a time but now reside in Princeton, Mass. Children:



- Harry Clayton, Jr., b. in Chillicothe, O., Oct. 10, 1888,
- 562. Bartlett', b. in Princeton, Mass., July 20, 1891,
- 563. John Alden⁹, b. Nov. 1, 1897,
- 564. Annie Safford, b. Feb. 15, 1900.

Gamaliel Beaman⁶, (173) son of Phineas and Hannah, b. in Princeton, Mass., Aug. 7, 1783, m., Feb. 20, 1806, Susanna—dau. of John Mirick and Lois Hobbs—b. in Princeton, Mass., Mar. 6, 1784, and d. Sept. 22, 1844; m. (2), April 3, 1845, Nabby Waldron and removed to Rindge, N. H. In 1886 he removed to Jaffrey, N. H., and had a home with his daughter, Mrs. Goodnow. He d. Nov., 1870. Children:

778. Alfred', b. Dec. 13, 1806; m. Eliza B. Wood.
 779. Susanna', b. April 17, 1808; m. Wm. S.

Everett.

- ⁷280. Mary[†], b. Dec. 3, 1810; m. Nathan S. Adams.
- **281**. Edson⁷, b. July 31, 1813,
- [282. Abigail], b. July 16, 1818; m. Wm. E. Goodnow of Jaffrey, N. H.
- 783. Eunice', b. July 14, 1820; m. Paul M. Mirick.
- 284. Gamaliel St., b. June 4, 1823,
- 785. Joanna'; m. Solomon Burpee.

Edson Beaman[†], (281) m. Martha E. Burpee, b. in Sterling, Mass., July 26, 1817. She d. June 22, 1865. Mr. Beaman d. Jan. 6, 1882. Children:



- 402. Melissa*, b. about 1841; d. in 1843.
- 403. Foster Edson^s, b. July 25, 1844, in Princeton, Mass.
- 404. Jenny Linds, b. April 12, 1850,
- 405. Annie Louise8, b. July 13, 1854.

Foster E. Beaman⁸, (403) m., Nov. 2, 1870, Clara Frances Rugg, b. in Rindge, N. H., June 29, 1844. They live in Boston, Mass. Child:

Clara Mabel', b. in Fitchburg, Mass., Nov.
 1871; m., Sept. 30, 1901, Frank Wilson McRee, b. in Bloomington, Ill.

Jennie L. Beaman', (404) m. Charles A. Morgan of Fitchburg, Mass. Children:

Carl Leon; Martha L.

Annie Louise Beaman^s, (405) m. Frederick E. Kendall. Children:

Walter Elsworth; Hattie Evelyn.

Gamaliel S. Beaman[†], (284) b. in Princeton, Worcester Co., Mass., June 4, 1823, m., May 15, 1845, Augusta Keyes of Princeton, and settled in Worcester, Mass. Children:

406. A son8; d. at nine years.

407. Arthur Ms.,

408. Mary Augustas.

Lemuel White Beaman's, (38) b. Oct. 2, 1746, settled first in New Salem, Mass. He marcht to Lexington, in Capt. Ebenezer Goodale's co., Col. Woodbridge's regt.—service 7 days. He m. in Lancaster



May 19, 1773, Prudence Munroe, b. at Northboro, Mass., in 1753—dau. of Philip and granddau. of Wm. Munroe, Jr. Her mother was Mary or Susannah Parker.

A chronicler says that Roe and Munroe were used interchangeably; and that the early Munroe settlers were less given to letters than to arms:

"Lieut. John and Ensign Roe, Sergeant George and Corporal Joe."

Lemuel and Prudence settled in Wendell, Franklin Co., Mass., where their children were born. He d. in Wendell, Dec. 4, 1801. Prudence d. Aug. 6, 1841. Children:

175. Lemuel⁶, b. in 1776; d. young.

176. John⁴, b. Jan. 7, 1778,

177. Elihu^e, b. Dec. 31, 1779,

178. Davide, b. Dec. 5, 1780,

179. Lemuel, b. Mar. 25, 1790; d. in 1797.

John (Munroe) Beaman*, (176) lived in Wendell. Mass. He m., Dec. 22, 1803, Tabitha Bancroft—dau. of Kendall*, Joshua*, Raham², Thomas², Thomas 1st, b. in England in 1622. She was born Aug. 2, 1784, in Montague, Franklin Co., Mass. John d. Sept. 19, 1823, from the effects of poison ivy at haying. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 9, 1858, at Fredonia, N. Y. Children:

278. Elmina^r. b. May 8, 1805,

279. Evaline, b. May 12, 1807,

 Lemuel Warren'. b. April 10, d. Aug. 30, 1810.



- 281. Edmund Addison[†], b. Aug. 8, 1811,
- 282. Warren Harrison⁷, b. Jan. 7, 1813,
- John Emery[†], b. Mar. 31, 1816; d. in 1850, unmarried.
- 284. Timothy Henry[†], b. April 25, 1817.
- 285. Tabitha Bancroft^r, b. May 5, 1823; d. in 1844.

Elmina Beaman[†], (278) m., August, 1829, Nathan B. Putnam.

Evaline Beaman', (279) m., September, 1829, David Hunter. She d. in Marlboro, Mass., in 1891.

Rev. Edmund Addison Beaman' (281), son of John and Tabitha, was a student at Harvard College, and a teacher in Boston. He afterward entered the Swedenborgian ministry; is now living in Cincinnati, O. He m., Mar. 22, 1840, Lusanna—dau. of Samuel Keen and Peggy Orr Clift—b. in Joppa, now Elmwood, Plymouth Co., Mass. She d. Feb. 7, 1858, in Philadelphia, Pa. He m. (2), Nov. 9, 1859, at Batavia, N. Y., Sarah Parsons, b. Feb. 27, 1833, at Lyons, N. Y. Children:

- 409. Ellen Susanna⁸, b. Dec. 1, 1842,
- 410. Anna8, b. Dec. 30, 1844,
- 411. Susan⁸, b. Jan. 31, 1847,
- 412. Elizabeth^s, b. Feb. 22, 1849,
- 413. Alice8, b. April 15, 1851,
- 414. John⁸, b. April 10, 1853,
- 415. Edmund Samuel', b. May 16, 1856, in Boston, Mass.



- 416. Lusanna Keen³, b. Jan. 16, 1858, in Philadel phia, Pa.
- 2d wife.
- 417. Charles Ps., b. Oct. 6, 1860.
- 418. Arthur8, b. Mar. 2, 1862,
- 419. Jennie8, b. Jan. 27, 1864,
- 420. Elminas, b. July 27, 1866, in Cincinnati, O.
- 421. George Burnham⁸, b. April 1, 1870,
- 422. David Webster⁸, b. Nov. 2, 1872.

Ellen S. Beaman*, (409) m., Oct. 22, 1867, George Neave Merriweather and resides in Cincinnati, O. Child:

Mary B.

Susan Beaman*, (411) m., June 8, 1870, Wm. Wallace Gilchrist and resides in Philadelphia, Pa.

Alice Beaman*, (413) m., May 2, 1872, Jacob Strader.

Lusanna K. Beaman', (416) m., June, 1886, Wm. Ferris, Jr., and lives in Denver, Colo.

Jennie Beaman⁸, (419) m., June 13, 1888, Asa Eldridge Goddard and lives in Fall River, Mass.

Elmina Beaman*, (420) m., June 14, 1893, John Daboll and lives in Waltham, Mass.

John Beaman, (414) son of Edmund Addison and Tusanna, b. in Boston, Mass., m., Nov. 2, 1876, Anna Irene Pruden and settled in Sidney, O. Children:



566. Robert Keen, b. Aug. 7, 1877,

567. Susan Emily, b. Dec. 26, 1878,

568. Mary Ida^a, b. Sept. 2, 1880,

569. Rachel⁹, b. May 3, 1885,

570. Reuben⁹, b. May 3, 1885,

571. Alice Elizabeth⁹, b. Aug. 20, 1888,

572. Eusanna⁹, b. June 20, 1895,

573. Ellen Mildred, b. Feb. 26, 1898,

574. James Addison⁹, b. Sept. 10, 1900.

Robert Keen Beaman, (566) m., Feb. 21, 1905, Laura Dale Woodmancy, b. Jan. 27, 1878. Child: 695. John Walter.

Dr. Charles Parsons Beaman, (417) b. Oct. 6, 1860, in Philadelphia, Pa., graduated at the New York Homeopathic Medical College in 1882. He m., Jan. 10, 1882, Jennie P.—dau. of Dr. Geo. F. Foote and Anna Louise Parsons—b. in Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 27, 1859. They live in Ithaca, N. Y. Children:

Jennie Louise³, b. June 22, 1883 in Stamford, Conn.; m. Mar. 30, 1907, Carl W. Haefner.

576. Leicester, b. May 11, 1885, in Stamford; student in Cornell University.

577. Elizabeth Parsons', b. Mar. 6, 1896, at Ithaca, N. Y.

George Burnham Beaman*, (421) b. in Cincinnati, O., April 1, 1870, graduated at the University of Cincinnati and took a degree at Jena. He m., June, 1897,



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Mary—dau. of Lewis Burnham and Alice Worcester. Children:

- Alice Worcester, b. June 19, 1898, in Philadelphia, Pa.
- 579. Anna Gilchrist⁹, b. in Philadelphia, July 5, 1901.
- George Burnham⁹, Jr., b. Aug. 13, 1905.
 They live in Waltham, Mass.

David Webster Beaman', (422) b. Nov. 2, 1872, graduated at the Boston Technological Institute. He m., June 25, 1902, Jane Witter Stetson. They live in New Bedford, Mass.

Rev. Warren Harrison Beaman', (282) b. in Wendell, Franklin Co., Mass., Jan. 7, 1813, graduated at Harvard College in 1837. He was Pastor of the Congregational Church of N. Hadley, Mass., from September, 1841 to July, 1872. He then removed to Amherst, Mass., where for nine years he was Chairman of the School Committee doing the work of School Superintendent. He m., April 27, 1841, Elizabeth Lydia Worcester. He d. at Amherst, Feb. 26, 1901. Children:

- 423. Mary Elizabeth', b. Feb. 19, 1842,
- 424. Emma Worcester*, b. Oct. 4, 1843,
- 425. John Warren⁸, b. Dec. 28, 1845,
- 426. Anna Jane⁸, b. Jan. 20, 1848; d. July 22, 1849.
- 427. Mina Delia8, b. Mar. 30, 1853.



Mary Elizabeth Beaman⁸, (423) m. Sylvester L. Stockbridge, Esq., of Baltimore, Md., and d. Aug. 9, 1871. Child:

Mina Kathleen.

Mina Delia Beaman^s, (427) m., Rev. John Dayton Willard, who d. in 1885, in Milwaukee, Wis. Child: John Dayton, Jr.

John Warren Beaman*, (425) entered the army at the age of eighteen, and was connected with Nim's Battery of Mass. Artillery. His principal field service was under Gen. N. P. Banks in the Red River Expedition. Later he studied at the Troy Polytechnic Institute and served under the government as an engineer, and Superintendent of Construction of Public Buildings. He m. in Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1874, Elizabeth Gertrude—dau. of Nicholas DuBois and Louise Griffin—b. March, 1846, in Hallstead, Pa. Mr. Beaman d. Dec. 13, 1903. Children:

 Gertrude Elizabeth⁹, b. in 1875; d. in 1878.
 Charles Worcester⁹, b. Nov. 25, 1880, in Washington, D. C.

Dr. Charles Worcester Beaman, (582) graduated in 1903 at the Electric Medical Institute, Cincinnati, O., and was Interne at Seton Hospital, Cincinnati, 1902-03; is now practising in Cincinnati. He m., May 28, 1904, Laura Zoe—dau. of Denis Robert Bogue and Elizabeth Langlois—b. Nov. 24, 1882, at East Saginaw, Mich., and graduated in 1903 at Woodward High School, Cincinnati.



Timothy Henry Beaman[†], (284) son of John Beaman and Tabitha Bancroft, b. April 25, 1817, in Wendell, Mass., d. in 1889; buried at Athol, Mass. He m. in 1836, Wealthy Marie Keith. Children:

428. Warren Addison⁸,

429. Susans,

430. Abby⁸.

Elihu (Munroe) Beaman, (177) b. Dec. 31, 1779, m., Dec., 1809, Anna Patrick, b. in Barre, Worcester Co., Mass., Feb. 7, 1780. He d. in Wendell, June 17, 1847. Children:

286. Laura'; m. — Leach.

287. Elihu Trowbridge⁷,

288. Ellery D^t.,

289. Cephas[†],

290. Quartus P'.,

291. Harriet'; m. ---- Stratton.

Elihu Trowbridge Beaman^r, (287) m. ——— Pierce. Children:

431. Edwin⁸,

432. Darwin's.

David (Munroe) Beman⁴, (178) b. Dec. 5, 1780, m. in 1806, Eliza Withington of Roxbury, Mass. He d. of fever at Reading, O., in 1835 (?). Children:

791. Prudence At.,

292. David Edwin¹,

293. Isaac Chandler,

294. Eliza Jane[†],



295. Eunice W1.,

296. Louisa[†].

The children of David and Eliza, spell the name Beman.

Isaac Chandler Beaman[†], (293) m. Anne Williams. Children:

433. Sarah⁸,

434. Anna⁸; m. ---- Swain.

Gamaliel White Beaman's, (91) b. Dec. 4, 1748, m., intentions publisht Oct. 10, 1775, Prudence—dau. of Abner Wilder and Eunice Osgood—m. in Lancaster, July 24, 1751. He served at Lexington in Capt. Daniel Robbins's co., Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt.—service 13 days. He d. in the Revolutionary Army in Bethlehem, Pa., in 1777. Prudence m. in 1790, Capt. Nathaniel Carter of Leominster, by whom she had two children who d. young. She was living in 1815. Child:

 David Wilder Beaman⁶, b. Aug. 21, 1776, perhaps in Westminster, Mass.

David m., April 14, 1798, Polly—dau. of Jude Carter and Polly Turner—b. in Rindge, N. H., Mar. 14, 1777. They settled in Winchendon, Worcester Co., Mass., on a farm still occupied by their descendants. He d. there, July 8, 1840. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 10, 1850. Children:

297. Gamaliel Carter', b. Mar. 20, 1799,

298. Elisha^t, b. Sept. 20, 1800,

299. Sally Turner[†], b. Sept. 29, 1802,



- David Wilder, b. Aug. 29, 1804; d. July 17, 1837.
- 301. Melas⁷, b. July 31, 1806; d. Oct. 13, 1808.
- 302. Mary Ann⁷, b. Dec. 4, 1808,
- 303. Prudence White⁷, b. Jan. 11, 1811,
- 304. Harriet, b. Jan. 8, 1814,
- 305. Eliza⁷, b. Aug. 12, 1816,
- 306. William, b. Sept. 11, 1818.

Sally T. Beaman', (299) m., Oct., 1820, Hananiah Whitney. Children:

Mary; Martha; John; William; Henry; Sarah; Elizabeth; Harriet; Abbie; Charles.

Mary A. Beaman[†], (302) m., Dec. 2, 1830, William Davis of Acton, Mass., where he d. in 1832. Mrs. Davis lived in Winchendon; she d. Nov. 13, 1900.

Prudence W. Beaman[†], (303) m., Nov. 8, 1836, Amos H. Wright, b. in Ashby, Mass., Jan. 8, 1807. She d. in New Ipswich, N. H., Feb. 7, 1878. Child: Martha Ann.

Harriet Beaman, (304) m., Feb. 12, 1833, John Danforth Dunbar. She d. in Canton, Mass., Jan. 18, 1888. Children:

Harriet Zerviah; John Henry; Lilla Frances.

Eliza Beaman', (305) m., Jan. 4, 1835, James Garland. She d. in New Orleans, La., June 24, 1851. Children:

Elizabeth; Ella Elizabeth.



Rev. Gamaliel Carter Beaman[†], (297) graduated at Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., and at the Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass. He m., Oct. 3, 1831, Elizabeth G. Jacobs of Milton, Mass., and removed to Piketon, O., where he organized a Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Beaman d. Sept. 20, 1834, and he m. (2), Sept. 27, 1836, Amelia Crichton of Wheelersburg, O., b. Feb. 10, 1814, and educated in Perthshire, Scotland. She was a descendant of the same family as Admiral Crichton. In 1838 Mr. Beaman removed to Burlington, O. "Abolitionism was then spreading rapidly and the church at Burlington had seventeen slave holding members, residents of Kentucky and Virginia, just across the Ohio River. Under Mr. Beaman's influence the church session dismist these members and adopted an article excluding slave holders from the church and pulpit. In 1846 he removed to Montrose, Iowa, where he organized a church, and also several churches in the surrounding country. In 1875 his health failing, he removed to Keosaugua, Ia., and d. there at the home of his son, Oct. 26, 1875, after a ministry of forty four years. Rev. Willis G. Cragg, now of Chicago, one of his warm friends, preacht his funeral sermon, saying of him, that he was one of the great soldiers of the cross, who had during his entire ministerial life been always in the front, standing on the high places of the field." Mrs. Beaman removed with her son to Denver, Colo., in 1888, where she d. Dec. 12, 1890. Children:

^{435.} Susanna, d. young.



 David Crichton⁸, b. in Burlington, O., Nov. 22, 1838.

Hon. David Crichton Beaman³, (436) practist law for a time in Keosauqua, Ia., and is now General Attorney for the Colorado Fuel and Iron Co. of Denver, Colo., where he resides. He m. in 1860, Luella A. Smith of Athens, Mo. Children:

- James Lincoln⁹, b. in 1862; County Sheriff of Pueblo, Colo.
- 584. George Crichton, b. in 1863; resides in Chicago, Ill.
- 585. Alice May (Harper)9, b. in 1866.
- 586. Arthur Dalzell⁹, b. in 1871; resides in Redstone, Colo.

Elisha Beaman', (298) son of David and Polly m., Oct. 11, 1839, Harriet Harris. They lived in Winchendon on the old homestead, where he d. in 1866. Children:

- 437. Harriet Co.,
- 438. William Ps.,
- 439. George H^s., b. in 1849.

Harriet C. Beaman', (437) m. John Simonds of Fitchburg, Mass. They removed to Berkeley, Cal., where she died. Children:

Arthur; Ernest; Ray.

William P. Beaman*, (438) b. in Winchendon, Mass., m. Jennie Smith. He d. in Winchendon. Child: 587. Elliott*.



George H. Beaman^s, (439) m. Adelma S. Stone, b. in 1854. They live on the old Beaman homestead in Winchendon. Children:

588. Edith Adelina⁹, b. Sept. 29, 1873; m. ———— Hadley.

589. Harry Lincoln, b. July 30, 1875,

590. Wilford Conant⁹, b. Oct. 12, 1880,

591. James Weaver⁹, b. Mar. 6, 1883,

592. Robert Edward, b. Feb. 25, 1889; d. in 1896.

593. Marcus Elisha9, b. July 31, 1891.

William Beaman[†], (306) son of David and Polly, b. Sept. 11, 1818, m., Feb. 27, 1848, Eliza Caroline—dau. of Webster Whitney and Eliza P. Whitman—b. in Winchendon, June 11, 1830. They lived in Winchendon where he d. Aug. 11, 1893. Children:

440. William Davis⁸, b. July 17, 1851,

441. John Webster^s, b. Sept. 18, 1855.

442. Edward As., b. July 18, 1857; d. Oct. 10, 1861.

443. Charles F⁸., b. Dec. 8, 1859,

444. Caroline Es., b. June 1, 1866.

William Davis Beaman^s, (440) m., Oct. 6, 1878, Mary J. Hyde.

John Webster Beaman⁸, (441) m., Jan. 20, 1876, Alice C. Wood of Winchendon. He was accidentally killed while cleaning his revolver in his home, Dec. 3, 1888. Children:



594. Arthur William, b. in 1877.

595. Gertrude Alice⁹, b. in 1881.

Charles F. Beaman^s, (443) m. Maggie Atkinson. They live in Springfield, Mass. Children:

596. Charles A⁹., b. July 30, 1886,

597. William Webster⁹, b. Feb. 18, 1891,

598. Baxter Whitman, b. May, 1893,

599. Margaret Caroline³, b. July 27, 1894,

600. Gertrude Ellen, b. Oct. 3, 1900.

Jonas White Beaman⁵, (92) b. July 12, 1750, marcht to Lexington, in Capt. Daniel Robbins's co., Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt.-service 7 days; also enlisted April 26, 1775, in Capt. Ephraim Richardson's co., in same regt., served 3 mos. 13 days,-Siege of Boston; also company return dated Prospect Hill, Oct. 6, 1775; also enlisted Jan. 1, 1776, in Capt. Abner Cranston's co., Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt., muster roll dated Camp at Ticonderoga, Nov. 27, 1776; also enlisted from Princeton, June 14, 1781, for three years. "Descriptive list of enlisted men belonging to Worcester, Capt. Hastings's co., Col. Whitney's regt.-Jonas Beaman, age 30 years; stature 5 ft. 9 in.; complexion light; occupation cord wainer; residence Princeton." "The town of Princeton paid to him in 1781, as a bounty. one hundred hard dollars, and thirteen three year old cattle, estimated at six pounds each-total, one hundred eight pounds." He married Rebecca Whitcomb and settled in Princeton, Mass. Children:

181. Jonas*, Jr., b. Dec. 25, 1778; and perhaps others.



Jonas (Whitcomb) Beaman⁸, (181) m., Arpil 2, 1801, Lucy Parker, and removed to Camden, Me., where he d. Oct. 3, 1807. Mrs. Beaman m. (2) Edward Hanford of Camden. Children:

307. Edwin'. b. about 1802,

308. Jonas 3d¹, b. May 17, 1805.

Edwin Beaman, (307) b. in Princeton, Mass., about 1802, m. Sarah Patten of Bangor, Me., and settled in Belfast, Me. He was of the firm of Beaman and Perry, and at the time of his death, was the oldest trader in Belfast. He was a prominent man in the church and all business matters. His widow survived him as late as 1893. No issue.

Jonas Beaman 3d⁷, (308) b. in Camden, Me., m., Dec. 1, 1833, Martha M. Cook, who d. Jan. 3, 1859; m. (2) Sept. 7, 1859, Mary Weld of Sturbridge, Mass. He settled (1) in Hadley, (2) in Princeton in 1865, where he had a farm and where he d. some years later. Children:

 Lucy^s, who m. Dr. Charles L. Dayton, and lives in Buffalo, N. Y.

446. Edward⁸; lives in N. Buffalo, N. Y.

447. Dwight⁸,

448. Jonas 4th*.

Josiah White Beaman⁵, (93) b. in Lancaster, Mass., Oct. 2, 1752, m. and lived in Shutesbury, Mass.

Benjamin White Beaman⁵, (94) marcht to Lexing-



ton, in Capt. Daniel Robbins's co., Col. Asa Whitcomb's regt.—service 12 days; also in Capt. Hezekiah Whitney's co., Col. Josiah Whitney's regt., marcht to Rhode Island on the alarm of July 22, 1777—service 2 days.

Elisha White Beaman⁵, (96) b. June 7, 1757, m. Ruth Johnson and lived in Leverett, Mass. Children:

 Elisha⁶, Jr.; m. Caroline Osgood and lived in Hinsdale, N. H.

183. Benjamin⁶.

Gideon White Beaman, (99) b. July 12, 1763, enlisted in Capt. Ephraim Hartwell's company of Guards, consisting chiefly of old men and boys, who were stationed at Rutland, Vt., to guard the British prisoners from Burgoyne's Army—service from Oct. 23, 1779 to April 20, 1780. He m., Nov. 16, 1786, Dolly—dau. of Jonathan Wilder, Jr. and Deborah Sawyer. Her father and also her grandfather, Jonathan Wilder, Sr., marcht to Lexington. Deborah Sawyer was descended from the first Thomas Sawyer, whose wife Mary was a daughter of John Prescott, the founder of Lancaster. Her mother was Deborah Rugg, a descendant of the first John Rugg, who m. Hannah Prescott. Gideon lived in Sterling where he d. in 1833. Children:

184. Gideon⁶, Jr., b. Dec. 13, 1787,

185. Mary, b. Feb. 13, 1789,

186. Deborah⁶, b. Mar. 13, 1792,

187. Dolly, b. Nov. 6, 1793,

188. Elizabeth^e, b. July 11, 1798,



189. Amelia, b. Jan. 11, 1800,

190. Ezra⁶, b. Sept. 6, 1802.

191. Gamaliel Sawyer^e, b. Dec. 8, 1808,

192. Joanna White, b. Nov. 12, 1811.

Mary Beaman⁶, (185) m. Samuel Kilburn. Children:

Mary; Uri; Elmira; Manda; Fernando; Dexter, Susan D.; Emily E.; Andy; George.

Deborah Beaman⁶, (186) m. April 18, 1809, Silas Buck. They lived in Sterling, where she d. July 19, 1830. Children:

Silas Beaman; Tamar Eddie; John Sawyer; Sally Amsden; James Orison; Mary Davis; Dolly Wilder; George; Deborah Elizabeth. z

Dolly Beaman^e, (187) m. (1) Isaac Willard; m. (2) Luther Kendall. Children:

Isaac Hanson Willard; George Braman Willard; Israel Putnam Willard; Elizabeth Kendall.

Joanna Dresser; Galen Dresser; Edwin Dresser.

Amelia Beaman⁴, (189) m., Oct. 20, 1828, Asa Hills, b. Dec. 20, 1802; they lived in Sterling where she d. Sept. 16, 1851. Children:

Eli; Hannah Amelia; Charlotte.



Dea. Ezra Beaman^e, (190) m. Mrs. Mary Bruce. He d. April 7, 1844. Child:

317. A son⁷; d. young.

Joanna W. Beaman⁶, (192) m. Otis—son of William Fletcher and Dorcas Whipple—b. in Lancaster, Mass., Jan. 24, 1809. They lived in Concord, and Lancaster, and lated in Clinton, Mass., where he d. Nov. 2, 1888. Child:

Jennie Augusta.

Gideon Beaman*, Jr., (184) m. in 1809, Abigail—dau, of Benjamin Brown and Catherine Strave. She d. Nov. 8, 1828, and he m. (2) Dec. 26, 1833, Phebe Whitney, b. in Westminster, Mass., Sept. 8, 1800. They lived in Sterling, Princeton, and in Hinsdale, N. H. He d. Dec. 5, 1864. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 17, 1864. Children:

- 309. Ellery Brown^t, b. May 12, 1810,
- 310. Calista[†].
- 311. Eri Benjamin[†], b. May 13, 1814,
- 312. Abigail Catherine⁷, b. in Sterling, Oct. 22, 1816,
- 313. Zibah Fitch[†], b. Dec. 19, 1818.
- 314. Caroline⁷, b. June 8, 1822, 2d wife.
- 315. Jonas Gideon Whitney^t, b. Oct. 30, 1834,
- Martha Ann Wilder[†], b. in Hinsdale, N. H., Nov. 11, 1840.



Calista Beaman^t, (310) m. George Hobbs of Worcester, Mass.

Abigail C. Beaman^t, (312) m., April 27, 1837, Foster—son of Joseph Pierce and Patty or Martha Sherwin—b. in Boylston, Mass., July 29, 1812. Mrs. Pierce in 1901 was living, a widow, with her youngest daughter in Newton, Mass. Children:

Martha C.; Katie B.; Ella B.; Edward F.; Henry S.; George W.; Alice F.

Zibah Fitch Beaman[†], (313) m. Appleton Walker. Children:

Martha M.; Josephine Elizabeth; Appleton Foster; Clara Louise; Frederick Appleton; Ella Eliza.

Caroline Beaman', (314) b. in Sterling, Mass., m. Charles Gould and lived in Portsmouth, N. H., where she d. May 1, 1900.

Jonas G. W. Beaman', (315) b. in Westminster, Mass., m., June 1, 1857, Harriet A. Bradley, b. in Florida, Mass., in May, 1832. He d. Mar. 20, 1896.

Martha A. W. Beaman[†], (316) m., Jan. 20, 1864, Lucius Hills, b. in Leominster, Mass., Dec. 13, 1836. They lived in Leominster, where he d. Sept. 11, 1891. Mrs. Hills resides at the homestead. Child: Fred Beaman.

Ellery Brown Beaman', (309) b. in Sterling, Mass.,



m. Mary Priscilla—dau. of Jonas Houghton and Ruth Sawyer—b. July 31, 1818. They lived in Sterling where she d. Nov. 11, 1846. Mr. Beaman d. Oct. 30, 1852. Children:

449. Mary⁸, b. July 31, 1838,

450. Janes, b. Mar. 13, 1840,

451. Moses Sawyer8, b. Nov. 14, 1841,

452. Harriet Wilder^s, b. June 15, 1843; d. Nov. 28, 1850.

453. Sarah⁸, b. Mar. 23, 1845.

454. Emma^s,

455. Ella⁵.

Mary Beaman⁸, (449) m., Sept. 27, 1858, Fanson Wilder of Sterling, Mass., where they made their home. Children:

Fred Ellery; Moses Harry; Harriet Beaman; Herbert Sawyer; Josephine Bartlett; Sarah Jane.

Jane Beaman^s, (450) m., June 26, 1861, Wm. Carlton—son of Wm. Divoll and Dolly Houghton—b. in Lancaster, Mass., Feb. 15, 1837. They settled at Pratt's Junction, Mass.

Moses S. Beaman's, (451) m., May 1, 1867, Lucy Jane Lockwood of Woodstock, Vt. They live in Worcester, Mass.

Sarah Beaman^s, (453) m. W. S. Walker and settled in Sterling, Mass., where she died. Children:

William Beaman; Burton Sydney.



Eri Benjamin Beaman[†], (311) son of Gideon, Jr. and Abigail, b. in Princeton, Worcester Co., Mass., May 31, 1814, removed to Manchester, N. H., in 1853; and about 1866, to Laconia, N. H. He carried on the business of bookbinding and of manufacturing pasteboard boxes. In Sept., 1861, at the age of 48 years, he enlisted in Co. A. 7th N. H. regt., and was discharged for physical disability, at Beaufort, S. C., in August, 1862. He was a leader in the M. E. Church and was Chorister for thirty years. He m. Rosanna—dau. of Wm. Wilder and Frances Lereaux—b. in Fitchburg, Mass., May 8, 1814. He d. at Laconia, N. H., Oct. 27, 1890, from injuries caused by being thrown from a carriage by a runaway horse. Mrs. Beaman d. Jan. 6, 1902. Children:

- 456. Benjamin Lereaux8, b. Aug. 27, 1837,
- 457. Fred Laurestons, b. Nov. 15, 1839,
- 458. Charles Foster8, b. Mar. 23, 1843,
- 459. Frank Gardner⁸, b. Feb. 6, 1847,
- 460. Willie Eaton8, b. Feb. 28, 1855.

Benjamin L. Beaman*, (456) b. in Boston, Mass., m. Nellie E. Truell of Holderness, N. H., and d. Nov. 18, 1872, at Laconia, N. H. No issue.

Fred L. Beaman⁸, (457) b. in Boston, Mass., m. (1) Sobriety Smith of Manchester, N. H.; m. (2) Katherine Osgood of Laconia. He d. Sept. 7, 1902, in Brainard, Minn. No issue.

Charles F. Beaman', (458) b. in Boston, Mass., en-



listed Oct. 29, 1861, for three years in Co. A, 7th N. H. Vol. Infantry. He d. July 20, 1863, in the hospital at Beaufort, S. C., from a wound received in the second attack on Fort Wagner, July 18.

Frank G. Beaman⁸, (459) b. in Boston, Mass., enlisted Sept., 1861, as a drummer; but being disqualified on account of size he became waiter to the Adjutant; but the smallpox broke out at Ft. Jefferson, and he with many others was taken with it and sent to Bird Key Island where they lay in tents or wrapt in blankets, for twenty-two days. He was then sent home to recruit, but with health so impaired that he did not return to the South. He m. Deborah Whipple of Wentworth, N. Y.—dau. of a noted physician of New Hampshire, and niece of Col. T. P. Whipple of Mexican War fame. They live in Laconia, N. H. His present business is Automobiles and Marine Engines. Children:

- 601. Charles Lewis', b. June 15, 1873,
- 602. Edwin Frank⁹, b. Aug. 31, 1875,
- Thomas Whipple', b. Aug. 29, 1887, in Laconia, N. H.; a graduate of Laconia High School.

Charles L. Beaman', (601) b. in Brooklyn, N. Y., m. Abbie Clement, of Lakeport, N. H. Children, the three last b. in Laconia, N. H.:

- Ralph Lereaux¹⁰, b. Sept. 27, 1894, in Lakeport, N. H.
- 697. Mary Sanborn¹⁰, b. Oct. 21, 1896,



- 698. Doris Althea¹⁰, b. May 18, 1900,
- 699. Bessie May10, b. Aug. 12, 1903.

Dr. Edwin Frank Beaman', (602) b. in Brooklyn. N. Y., m. Hattie Proudman of Waterville, Me. He is an oculist in Boston, residing at Cliftondale, Mass.

Willie Eaton Beaman*, (460) son of Eri Benjamin and Frances, b. in Manchester, N. H., Feb. 28, 1855, m. Sarah Ida Gilman of Laconia, N. H. He is corresponding clerk of a large hardware firm in Boston; resides at Everett, Mass.; is a 32 degree Mason and a cornet player of some note. Child:

604. George Eri⁹, b. June 12, 1880.

Gamaliel Sawyer Beaman, (191) son of Gideon, Sr. and Dolly, b. in Sterling, Mass., Dec. 8, 1808, m. Phebe Diana Gates of Westminster, Mass., who was b. in Gardner, Mass., Aug. 1815, but removed to Westminster with her parents when five years old. They lived in Westminster, Mass., and Hinsdale, N. H. Children:

- 318. Laura M^r., b. Mar. 13, 1839,
- Phineas Wilder^r, b. Jan. 22, 1842; d. from burns, Sept. 16, 1845.
- 320. Gamaliel Waldo', b. Sept. 4, 1852.

Laura M. Beaman', (318) b. in Hinsdale, N. H., m., Feb. 14, 1856, Charles L. Knowlton of Leominster, Mass. They now reside in Ayer, Mass. Children:

George E. W.; Esther Marion.



Gamaliel Waldo Beaman[†], (320) b. in Westminster, Mass., is an artist residing at Beaman Hall in Princeton, Mass. He studied drawing at the Lowell Institute, Boston, Mass., and went to Paris, France, in 1878. He studied the French School for a while but believes in the common sense school in art and has always been his own master. Three of his largest paintings: The Battle Field from Lookout Mountain in Tennessee; Niagara Falls in Winter; and Eagle Head, Manchester, Mass,-the latter now hanging in Dickinson Library, Northfield, Mass. He m. (1), Oct. 22, 1885, Mary Priest-dau. of Albert Dinsmore Stearns and Sarah Minerva Priest of Erving, Mass,b. in Northfield, Mass., Sept. 15, 1859; m. (2). June, 1894, Eileen Marie-dau, of Lucius Clark Rand and Caroline Finette Sibley-b. in N. Adams, Mass., Mar. 31, 1858. Children:

1st wife.

- Madeline, b. July 16, 1886, in Cambridge, Mass. She graduated at the Northfield Seminary, June 12, 1906.
- 462. Helen Louise, b. Aug. 25, d. Oct. 15, 1891.



GAMALIEL; JOHN; EBENEZER.

Ebenezer Thornton Beaman³, (16) must have been born as early as 1691, for in Feb., 1711-12, he was one of the proprietors of the town, who signed a petition for a division of the new grant of land, bought of George Tahanto—an Indian Sagamore—and other Indians. He m. about 1713, Rebecca-dau, of John Kendall and Elizabeth Comey of Woburn, Mass., and granddaughter of Francis Kendall, who came to Woburn in 1640; his wife was Mary Tidd. They were from Kendale, England. Rebecca was b. Mar. 22, 1693. John Beaman, Sr. settled them on a farm on the east side of the Bolton Hills. Rebecca d. Sept. 14, 1754, and Ebenezer m. (2) Sarah Lilly of Woburn. He d. May 11, 1764. There is a tradition in this family that they inhabited the love of learning from the Kendalls. Children:

- 46. Hannah', b. May 8, 1714.
- 47. Thankful', b. Jan. 1, 1716,
- 48. Joseph⁴, b. July 29, 1718,
- 49. Rebecca⁴, b. Sept. 11, 1720,
- 50. Sarah⁴, b. Sept. 27, 1723,
- 51. Priscilla⁴, b. June 22, 1726,
- 52. Ebenezer', b. Aug. 1, d. Oct. 17, 1728.
- 53. Patience', b. Aug. 1, d. Oct. 10, 1728.
- 54. Thomas', b. Sept. 16, 1729.

Hannah Kendall Beaman, (46) m., Nov. 28, 1734, Amos Knight, Jr. of Lancaster, whose first wife was her aunt, Elizabeth Kendall of Woburn. Children:



Hannah; Lucy; Joseph; David; Amos; Jonas; Ephraim and Manasseh.

Thankful Kendall Beaman, (47) m., May 14, 1741, Jeremiah Haskell of Lancaster, and d. Mar. 30, 1788. Children:

Thankful; Sergeant Jeremiah; Capt. Andrew; Abijah.

Jeremiah, Andrew, and Abijah were all at Lexington and Bunker Hill. Abijah was a fifer. Andrew afterward went to Ohio, served against the Indians, under Gen. St. Clair, and was killed in the disastrous battle with the Miamis, Nov. 4, 1791.

Rebecca Kendall Beaman*, (49) m., intentions entered Aug. 18, 1744, Joshua Phelps of Lancaster, who had had a first wife named Rebecca. He was afterward called Ensign Phelps. Children:

Elizabeth; Rebecca; Sarah; Abel; Lydia; Peter; Relief; Joshua; Deborah.

Sarah Kendall Beaman*, (50) m., June 5, 1759, Edmund Parmenter of Sudbury.

Priscilla Kendall Beaman⁴, (51) m. in Leominster, Dec. 25, 1745, David Robins of Lancaster. They settled in Leominster, where she d. a year or two later, leaving a young son—David, Jr.—who marcht to Lexington and was killed at Bunker Hill.

Joseph Kendall Beaman⁴, (48) b. in Lancaster, set-



tled in Leominster. July 19, 1748, he was chosen as one of fourteen able bodied men to scout constantly about Leominster and Lunenburg, as a guard against the Indians. He also marcht to Lexington as Sergeant in Capt. Joshua Wood's co., of middle aged men—service 16 days. He m. about 1745, Mary Walker, b. in Woburn, Mass., Oct. 29, 1726. Joseph joined the First Church in Leominster in 1744, and Mary joined in 1750. Joseph d. June 27, 1784. Mary d. at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gleason, in Westmoreland, N. H., May 10, 1813. Children:

- 100. David⁵, b. June 17, 1746,
- 101. Mary⁵, b. Jan. 5, 1748,
- 102. Rebecca⁵, b. April 21, 1750,
- 103. Priscilla⁵, b. May 2, 1752,
- 104. Esther5, bapt. May 11, 1755,
- 105. Sarah⁵, b. July 3, 1757; d. Feb. 5, 1761.
- 106. Joseph⁵, bapt. Sept. 27, 1761.

Mary Beaman^s, (101) m., Feb. 26, 1770, Elias Gates, bapt. in Leominster, May 12, 1745.

Rebecca Beaman^s, (102) m., Feb. 17, 1771, Josiah—son of James Richardson and Mary Fowle—bapt. in Leominster, Mar. 9, 1746.

Priscilla Beaman^s, (103) m., Nov. 21, 1771, Reuben—son of Amos and Mary Kendall—bapt. in Leominster, Nov. 20, 1763.

Esther Beaman⁵, (104) m., Oct. 18, 1775, Fortunatus



Gleason of Westmoreland, N. H. The tradition is that the four surviving daughters of Joseph and Mary all settled in Westmoreland.

David Walker Beaman⁵, (100) served in the Revolution. He was Corporal in Capt. Nathaniel Carter's co., of Col. Abijah Stearns's (Worcester Co.) regt.,—marcht to Williamstown, Aug. 22, 1777, on an alarm—service 11 days—roll dated Leominster. He m., Feb. 6, 1770, Sarah—dau. of Jonathan Pierce and Sarah Dodge—b. in Lunenburg, Mass., April 13, 1750. They settled in Leominster. Their deaths are not recorded. Children:

193. Joseph⁶, b. May 18, 1770,

194. Sarah, b. April 11, 1773,

195. Mary⁶, b. Jan. 5, 1777,

196. Ephraim⁶, b. May 27, 1782.

Sarah Beaman, (194) m., May 6, 1795, Jonathan Pierce of Bolton, b. in Lancaster, Jan. 20, 1745—son of Joshua Pierce and Lois White. They had six children bapt. in Leominster, but removed to Moreland, N. Y., where she d. Dec. 29, 1832. Children:

Horace; Anstice; Caty; Sally; Joshua; Lois Goodrich; Edwin; John; Eliza.

Mary Beaman, (195) m., May 29, 1798, Jonathan Houghton, b. in Leominster in 1746—son of Rufus Houghton, Jr. and Elizabeth, dau. of Brig. Gen. John and Rebecca (Whitcomb) Whitcomb. Jonathan and Mary are thought to have settled in Vermont.



Ephraim (Pierce) Beaman*, (196) went South and is supposed to have settled in North Carolina; said to have been a good looking and very bright youth. There is a Beaman family in Troy, Montgomery Co., N. C., who are supposed to be descended from him.

Capt. Joseph (Pierce) Beaman*, (193) m., Mar. 11, 1794, Annis—dau. of Wm. and Abigail Bemis—b. in Westminster, Worcester Co., Mass., Sept. 1, 1776. They settled in Westminster where he followed his trade of blacksmithing until his death, Sept. 24, 1822. He was captain of militia for a number of years. Mrs. Beaman d. Nov. 26, 1857, at the home of her son Ira. Children:

- 321. Joseph[†], b. Feb. 5, 1795; d. Aug. 28, 1838, in Westminster.
- 322. David, b. Oct. 21, 1796,
- 323. Annis¹, b. Oct. 5, 1798,
- 324. Ira¹, b. June 27, 1800,
- 325. Abigail, b. May 19, 1802; d. Sept. 11, 1805.
 - 326. Ezra Boylston⁷, b. Mar. 20, 1804,
 - 327. Saphronia[†], b. Dec. 13, 1805,
 - 328. Polly[†], b. April 1, 1810; d. July 24, 1813.
- 329. Hiram[†], b. July 1, 1812,
 - Abigail Polly⁷, b. May 14, 1815; d. in Antwerp, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1829.
 - 331. Sarah[†], b. July 28, 1820.

Annis Beaman', (323) m., Sept., 1841, Ira Brown. She d. in 1888.



Saphronia Beaman[†], (327) m. in Antwerp, N. Y., Nov., 1835, Lemuel Bates Hubbard, b. Aug., 1812. She d. June 6, 1855. Mr. Hubbard d. May 29, 1878. Children:

Orlando W.; Ira W.; Hiram O.; Zilphia S.

Sarah Beaman[†], (331) m., June 10, 1846, James Gill, b. July 17, 1817, son of John Gill and Theodotia Henry, a cousin of Patrick Henry. She d. July 3, 1885. Mr. Gill d. July 9, 1899. Children:

Abbie P.; John D., a lawyer and graduate of Illinois Ondustrial University, Champaign, Ill.; Frank B., a graduate of Cornell University in 1880; Bion.

David Beaman[†], (322) son of Capt. Joseph and Annis, the pioneer of the Northern New York Beamans, removed in 1818, to what is called the Black River country in New York state. Here he began rafting on the St. Lawrence River, chopping and working for Hotelkeeper Copeland for ten dollars a month in the winter, one half land pay; and in the summer for from thirteen to sixteen dollars a month, helping to clear the land of timber. In this way he paid for his first forty acres. In 1865 he owned about five hundred acres of land. After the death of his father he went back to Westminster and brought his mother and vounger brothers and sisters in a lumber wagon to his home, a log house in the woods two miles from Indian River, at a place now called Antwerp, in Jefferson Co. He m. (1), Mar. 21, 1828, Lucy Porter, b. Mar. 28, 1811;



m. (2), Nov. 4, 1840, Sally Ann—dau. of Thomas Mosher and Christina Winner—b. Mar. 4, 1814. She d. July 12, 1901. Mr. Beaman d. April 16, 1883. Children:

463. Harriet⁸, b. Mar. 18, 1830,

464. Janes, b. Sept. 10, 1832,

465. George Porter*, b. June 28, 1839, 2d wife.

466. Alonzo*, b. Aug. 22, 1841,

467. Alices, b. June 19, 1843,

468. Annis8, b. June 19, 1843.

Harriet Beaman^s, (463) m. in 1852, Lansing—son of Hiram Becker and Angelica Cooper. They settled in Philadelphia, N. Y.; and about 1865, in Watertown, N. Y., where he manufactured agricultural implements for a few years, then removed back to the farm. Mrs. Becker d. in Watertown, May 13, 1869. Mr. Becker d. Aug. 6, 1894. Children:

Lucy; Annis; Leman; Charlton L.—holds a degree as civil engineer from Cornell University, and was an architect and builder in Boston, Mass.; Hiram; Alice B.

Jane Beaman*, (464) m. (1), Sept. 28, 1854, Orange Heaton, b. Oct. 25, 1828. They settled on a farm in Rodman, N. Y., and carried on a cheese factory. Mr. Heaton d. July 24, 1863, and she still carried on the work; she m. (2), Oct. 16, 1867, Anson Miller, b. May 5, 1843. Their cheese took the first prize at the Columbian World's Fair. Children:



Alfred Heaton; Alice Heaton; Florence A. Heaton; D. Elton Miller; Pearley Miller; Lucy Miller.

Alice Beaman*, (467) carried on a millinery and furnishing store for twenty-five years in Antwerp, N. Y., where she and her sister—Miss Annis Beaman—still reside.

George Porter Beaman*, (465) son of David and Lucy, b. in Antwerp, Jefferson Co., N. Y., settled on a farm in Philadelphia, N. Y.; removed to Governeur, N. Y., in 1870; but later, to the Ormiston homestead, near Little Bow, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y. He m., Mar. 29, 1863, Janet—dau. of James Ormiston and Isabelle Story. Children:

605. Lucy Belle, b. Oct. 5, 1865,

606. James David, b. May 22, 1867,

607. Mary Lenora', b. Dec. 18, 1868,

608. Albert Ormiston', b. July 11, 1870,.

609. Julia Annis', b. Sept. 3, 1873,

610. Fannie Jane', b. July 11, 1876,

611. Jenny Grace, b. April 26, 1878,

612. Vera Harriet', b. June 13, 1880,

613. George Ezra*, b. Feb. 24, 1882,

614. Alice Emogene', b. Mar. 19, 1884.

Lucy Belle Beaman, (605) graduated at the Potsdam State Normal School in 1884; has been a teacher in Yonkers, N. Y.



Mary Lenora Beaman, (607) m., June 19, 1890, Rev. Levi P. Warrington.

Julia Annis Beaman', (609) graduated at the Potsdam Normal School in 1895; taught in East Hampton, N. Y., for seven years; m., Nov. 11, 1902, George H. Hand; address, East Hampton, N. Y.

Fanny Jane Beaman', (610) graduated at the Potsdam Normal School in 1895; taught in Theresa, N. Y., four years; m., Aug. 2, 1899, Prof. J. Schuler Fox of Three Mile Bay; address, Phoenix, N. Y.

Jennie Grace Beaman', (611) graduated in the Teacher's Training Class at Governeur, N. Y., in 1898; has since taught in Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties.

Vera Harriet Beaman', (612) graduated at the University of Syracuse, N. Y., in 1902; a teacher in Phoenix, N. Y.

George Ezra Beaman, (613) graduated at the High School of Governeur, N. Y., in 1903.

Alice Emogene Beaman', (614) graduated at the Governeur High School in 1903; has studied art in Yonkers, N. Y.

James David Beaman, (606) b. in Philadelphia, N. Y., was educated in the Governeur High School. He



removed to Chariton, Ia., and m., June 26, 1894, Lou Cheshire, of Indianola, Ia.; is now a druggist in Lucas, Iowa. Child:

700. Wesley Cheshire¹⁰, b. in 1898.

Albert Ormiston Beaman, (608) educated in Governeur High School, is now carrying on a farm in Antwerp, N. Y. He m., Feb. 24, 1892, Elma M. Foster of Governeur, N. Y. Children:

701. Gertrude Foster¹⁰, b. in 1894,

702. Lawrence Douglas10, b. in 1897.

Alonzo (Mosher) Beaman⁸, (466) son of David and Sally Ann, b. in Antwerp, Jefferson Co., N. Y., Aug. 22, 1841, m., Mar. 4, 1868, Emogene Amanda-dau. of David Foster and Amanda Mann-b. July 24, 1844, in Theresa, N. Y. Mr. Beaman in descended in the female line from Joanna, eldest dau. of John White, who m. Capt. Thomas Fisk. Mrs. Beaman is descended from five of the first proprietors of Lancaster-John Prescott and his son-in-law, Thomas Sawver, John White, John Whitcomb and John Houghton. Her line of descent is John and Frances Whitcomb; Josiah Whitcomb and Rebecca Waters; David Whitcomb and Mrs. Mary Hayward-Fairbanks; Capt. Joseph Whitcomb and Damaris Priest; Maj. Gen. Philemon Whitcomb and Martha Sawver; Nathaniel Foster and Silence Whitcomb; David and Amanda Foster. Gen. Whitcomb commanded one third of the militia of New Hampshire in 1810, preparatory to the War of 1812. "His four brothers were in the Revolutionary Army."



His wife, Martha Sawyer, was descended from the first Thomas Sawyer and Mary Prescott, dau. of John Prescott, and her mother. Ruth White, was fourth in descent from the first John White. One of Mrs. Beaman's ancestors, Elias Sawyer, was captured by the Indians and held a prisoner for two years. He afterward m. Beatrix, dau. of Robert—son of the first John Houghton. Gen. Whitcomb's grandmother, Mary Hayward-Whitcomb, was also a prisoner among the Indians and learned much of their medical use of herbs. After her return she practist this lore and was known about Lancaster as Mrs. Doctress Whitcomb. Mr. and Mrs. Beaman now reside in Sterling, Kansas, where he has carried on the manufacture of brooms. Children:

- David, b. in Antwerp, N. Y., May 24, 1869;
 Jan. 8, 1870.
- 616. Jay Foster, b. Mar. 3, 1871,
- 617. Lee, b. and d. Nov. 4, 1878,
- 618. Don Alonzo^o, b. July 9, d. Sept. 11, 1881.
- Annis Emogene³, b. Sept. 24, 1884; d. Nov. 28, 1907.
- 620. Alice Emaret, b. Aug. 23, 1888; a High School graduate.
- 621. Ivor⁸, b. and d. Feb. 5, 1890.

Jay Foster Beaman, (616) b. on the Beaman homestead in Antwerp, N. Y., graduated from Cooper Memorial College, Sterling, Kansas, in 1893, and at Kansas University in 1902, as civil engineer; in 1904 was Assistant Civil Engineer of the S. F. N. W. R. R. Co.,



superintending the construction of a tunnel near Pepperwood, Cal. He m., Oct. 24, 1895, Clara Bertie—dau. of Philip Koonts and Myra Wirtz—b. Nov. 19, 1870. Children:

703. David Erl10, b. Mar. 4, 1897,

704. Esther Elaine10, b. Oct. 10, 1898,

705. Jay Foster¹⁰, Jr., b. Sept. 4, 1900,

706. Myra Annis¹⁰, b. Sept. 9, 1905, at Reedley, Cal.

Ira Beaman', (324) son of Capt. Joseph and Annis, b. in Westminster, Worcester Co., Mass., June 27, 1800, came to the Black River country in 1830, and bought one hundred twelve acres of land across the road from his brother David; to which he added from time to time until he owned four hundred sixty two acres of fine farming land. The next year he returned to Massachusetts and m., May 17, 1831, Keziah Colburn, b. Sept. 28, 1810. He d. on the homestead in April, 1860. Mrs. Beaman d. at her daughter's in Cazenovia, N. Y., in 18—. Mr. Beaman was an enterprising, honorable man and took an interest in everything calculated to benefit the community. Children:

469. Francis B'., b. May 13, 1832; d. Sept. 22, 1846.

470. Joseph Malcolm8, b. Oct. 6, 1835,

471. Ezra Solon8, b. Feb. 24, 18---,

472. Mary Esther's, b. June 10, 1845.

Mary Esther Beaman*, (472) m., June 23, 1882, Prof. Eugene Joralemon, b. Feb. 28, 1848, a graduate



of the State Normal School at Oswego, N.Y. He taught in Binghamton High School, Ives Seminary, Antwerp, N. Y., and at Antioch College, Cal., and in 1904 was Superintendent of a boy's school at Belmont, Cal. Children:

Richard Varice; Ira Beaman, a graduate of Harvard University.

Joseph Malcolm Beaman*, (470) son of Ira and Keziah, b. in Antwerp, N. Y., graduated at the State Normal School, Albany, N. Y., about 1856; taught in Jefferson County for some years; was Superintendent of Public Instruction during two terms; was Editor of the Antwerp Gazette for a time, and d. in Missouri while traveling for his health, Nov. 12, 1879. He m. Philinda—dau. of Lyman Mack and Lurenda Witherel—b. July 16, 1837. Mrs. Beaman d. Sept. 18, 1884. Children:

622. Ira Mack, b. May 18, 1865,

523. May', b. May 18, 1871.

May Beaman, (623) m., July, 1895, Horace H. Loveland, M. D., and lives in Syracuse, N. Y. Child: A son, b. Oct. 21, 1901.

Ira Mack Beaman, (622) m., Dec. 31, 1891, Marion Josephine—dau. of the Hon. John D. Ellis and ———Buel. Children:

707. John Ellis¹⁰, b. Feb. 22, 1893,

 Joseph Malcolm¹⁰, b. Jan. 30, 1897, in Westboro, Mass.



709. Roger Wolcott¹⁰, b. Mar. 26, 1899.

Ezra Solon Beaman⁸, (471) son of Ira and Keziah, b. Feb. 24, 18—, in Antwerp, Jefferson Co., N. Y., m. (1), Jan. 1, 1868, Maggie Farley of Wilna, who d. in 1874; m. (2) in 1885, Elizabeth Anderson—widow of Oliver W. Mack—b. April 22, 1842. He graduated from Eastman's Business College in 1866; was a prominent member of Indian River Grange, and of the State and National Grange. He owned the farm that his father bought in 1830; d. July 27, 1903.

Ezra Boylston Beaman', (326) son of Capt. Joseph and Annis, b. Mar. 20, 1804, in Westminster, Worcester Co., Mass., learned the trade of blacksmithing from his father, came to Northern New York when a young man and bought land near his brothers. He taught school during the winter seasons. He m. in 1851, Lydia—dau. of Philip Jones and Hannah Jackson—b. May 29, 1824. During the 1880's he sold his homestead and went to Richville, N. Y., to be near his son in his declining years. He d. in October, 1885. Mrs. Beaman went to live with her brother, Daniel Jones, in Wisconsin. Child:

- 473. Frank Bemis Beaman*, b. Oct. 15, 1855; m., June 18, 1880, Ruth A.—dau. of Isaac Walker and Emeline Spencer of Richville, N. Y. They live at Richville. Child:
- 624. Daniel Walker³, b. May 27, 1890.

Hiram Beaman, (329) son of Capt. Joseph and Annis, b. in Westminster, Worcester Co., Mass., July



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1, 1812, m. Polly—dau. of <u>Charmis Mack and Mary or</u> Polly Merrick, and settled near Union City, Erie Co., Pa. He d. May 21, 1883. Mrs. Beaman d. Dec. 17, 1892. Children:

474. Agnes⁸, b. Dec. 7, 1848; d. April 20, 1901.

475. Eugene's, b. Sept. 20, 1852. He m. Sept. 10, 1884, Flora Ella—dau. of Nelson and Arvilla Morey—b. Feb. 14, 1864; address, Union City, Pa. Child:

625. Ernest Eugene⁹, b. Sept. 20, 1886.

Capt. Thomas' Kendall Beaman', (54) b. in Lancaster, Worcester Co., Mass., Sept. 16, 1729, was Sergeant in Capt. Abijah Willard's co., in the Expedition against Acadia in 1755; also Lieutenant in Capt. Benjamin Hastings's co., Col. Willard's regt., in 1759, during the French War; also Captain of a company in Col. Willard's regt., in 1760, serving from April to December. (Capture of Montreal. See p. 29.) When the Revolution broke out he was living in Boston and took sides against the Americans. He was appointed by Gen. Gage a lieutenant in the first company of Loyalists. "In 1778 he was proscribed and went to Halifax." He m. Elizabeth White of Shirley, Mass., intentions entered Nov. 11, 1753. Children:

- Elizabeth⁵, bapt. with her parents, June 3, 1759, in Lancaster,
- 108. Thomas⁵, Jr., b. Aug. 25, 1759,
- 109. Ebenezer⁵.

It has been recently learned that Thomas and



Elizabeth had also sons William and James. Thomas, Jr. settled in Digby, Nova Scotia, and William in New Brunswick. Rev. W. F. Beaman, a missionary in India, and Rev. Geo. H. Beaman of Westchester Station, N. S., are grandsons of William. Capt. Thomas Beaman was a man of fine private character.



GAMALIEL; JOHN; JONATHAN.

Jonathan Thornton Beaman³, (17) must have been born as early as 1697, for in 1718 his father deeded him a farm in Bolton where he was very active in putting up the first church building, which is there still. He m. (1), Mar. 16 or 23, 1732, Martha-widow of John Smith, and dau. of James, Jr. and Lydia Butler of Bolton. James Butler, Sr. was one of the proprietors of Lancaster. He m. (2), June 3, 1742, Deborah Stevens-widow of Ephraim Farnsworth of Harvard, Mass. She d. in 1758 and her will drawn shortly before her death, shows that she had no children by either husband. The Bolton Records of town and church were not well kept, and there is no record in them of any children born to Jonathan. Nor is there any in Lancaster up to 1738, when Bolton was set off. In 1758 he sold his farm of seventy eight acres and went away from Bolton and has not been traced; but in 1778 there was a Jonathan Beaman sojourning in Lancaster, who had a daughter Polly baptized there, June 28, probably not an infant, as her birth record is not on the town books. There was also a young Jonathan who enlisted from Lancaster. "Descriptive list of men raised to reinforce the Continental Army for the term of six months: Jonathan Beaman, age 17 years, stature 5 ft. 2 in., complexion light, residence Lancaster: arrived at Springfield, July 13, 1780; marcht to camp July 13, under Capt. Thomas Pritchard." William Beaman from Lancaster served during October, 1777, in Capt. Joseph Sergeant's co., Col.



Abijah Stearns's regt., at Tiverton, Rhode Island. These three young people may have been the children of Jonathan Thornton Beaman by a third wife.

- 55. William⁴,
- 56. Jonathan',
- 57. Polly4.



GAMALIEL; JOHN; JABEZ.

Capt. Jabez Thornton Beaman³, (21) b. in Lancaster, Worcester Co., Mass., in 1704, settled in the eastern part of the town which in 1738 was set off and called Bolton. In 1746 he removed to Shrewsbury in the same county, and bought land on both sides of the Nashua River. This part of Shrewsbury is now the town of West Boylston. His name appears on a "list dated Shrewsbury, April 7, 1757, of the 2d Company of Militia in the town of Shrewsbury, commanded by Capt. Jabez Beaman, comprising Train Band and Alarm List; men from 16 to 60 years." He m., Oct. 4, 1732, Dinah—dau. of Jonathan Moor—b. in Lancaster, Oct. 31, 1713.

Jonathan Moore was b. in Lancaster and was the son of John Moore and Ann Smith, and grandson of the first John Moore of Sudbury. John Moore, Jr. was one of the original proprietors of Lancaster and brought with him one hundred pounds. He became an Ensign and was delegate to the General Court (Legislature) from Lancaster in 1689. His wife was dau. of John Smith of Sudbury. He settled in the southern part of Bolton. The name of Jonathan's wife is not given. Capt. Jabez Beaman d. of smallpox Sept. 22, 1757, the church record says, aged 53 years. Dinah d. Dec. 4, 1774. They both owned the covenant at the time their first child was baptized. Children:

^{58.} Olive', b. Oct. 19, 1733,

^{59.} Ezra', b. Oct. 4, 1736,



JABEZ.

60. Silas', bapt. June 17, 1739,

61. Ephraim⁴, b. in 1743,

62. Lois',

63. Sarahi. (Probably.)

Olive Moore Beaman', (58) m. Capt. Joseph—son of Joseph Bigelow of W. Boylston. He d. Nov. 30, 1801, aged 75 years. Mrs. Bigelow d. June 26, 1810.

Lois Moore Beaman', (62) m. Jabez Hendrick.

Sarah Beaman, of Shrewsbury, (63) m. Samuel Bixby of Lancaster, intentions entered Oct. 8, 1773.

Major Ezra Moore Beaman', (59) b. in Bolton, Worcester Co., Mass., succeeded to his father's homestead in W. Boylston. "He was perhaps the most influential man who ever lived in the town. Having great energy and capacity he took the lead in all plans for public improvement and projected many of the highways, which afterward proved to have been laid out in the most convenient places. He built the dam on the Nashua River, and the canal nearly half a mile in length, thru which the water is carried to an artificial pond, forming a valuable water power. Here he set up a grist mill and a saw mill. In early life he began to set along the highways that adjoined his lands, a variety of shade trees-elms, maples, buttonwoods, and others. A buttonwood, set when he was thirteen years old, is now of enormous size for a tree of its class, measuring more than twenty two feet



around the base. The many trees set by him now form one of the great beauties of W. Boylston. He took an active part in the Revolution and gave of his time and means to help the patriot cause, being a member of the Committee of Safety and one of those chosen to procure supplies for the army. He was the town's first representative in the Legislature, serving till his death. He left an estate of eight hundred nineteen acres of land valued at nearly thirty six thousand pounds sterling. This was divided evenly among his ofhildren.

"His powder horn in Worcester Society of Antiquity is a beautiful and interesting relic. It has this inscription: Lieut. Ezra Beaman, his horn, made at Fox Poynt so called, in Dorchester, Sept. the 30, 1775, in Thomas Gage's War, who came to Boston ye Americans to enslave and take their rights away. Made by Micah Briard."—Horatio Houghton, in History of W. Boylston.

In 1758 he m. Persis—dau. of Deacon Cyprian Keyes of Shrewsbury—who d. Nov. 7, 1788; m. (2) Mary Boylston of Charlestown, who d. in 1813. Major Ezra Beaman d. June 6, 1811. "He was in the Battles of Lexington and Bunker Hill." Ezra Beaman, Shrewsbury, Lieutenant in Capt. Robert Andrews's co., which marcht to Cambridge April 19, 1775. from Shrewsbury (2d Parish), service 9 days,—reported enlisted into the army; also 1st Lieutenant in Capt. Job Cushing's co., Gen. Artemas Ward's regt., appointed May 19, 1775—service 3 mos. 11 days; also,



company return dated Dorchester, Oct. 7, 1775; also Captain of 7th co., 6th Worcester Co. regt., commissioned April 5, 1776. Ezra Beaman, 1st Major, How. Artemas Ward's (6th Worcester Co.) regt., commissioned June 16, 1777. Children:

110. Levinia⁵, b. Dec. 8, 1759,

111. Persis⁵, b. in 1762,

112. Jabez⁵, b. in 1764,

113. Betsy⁵,

114. Ezra5, b. Dec. 27, 1770,

115. Eunice⁵, b. in 1774.

Levinia Beaman⁵, (110) m., Oct. 29, 1778, Francis Bigelow, and d. Jan. 13, 1849. Children:

Mary; Hannah S.

Persis Beaman⁵, (111) m. (1) Dr. Amariah Bigelow; m. (2) John Temple. She d. in 1832.

Jabez Keyes Beaman⁵, (112) m. Mary—dau. of Jonathan Bond of Boylston—who d. soon after their marriage. He d. in 1812. No issue.

Betsy Beaman⁵, (113) m. Luther Rice and d. in 1836.

Ezra Beaman⁵, Jr., (114) lived unmarried in the large mansion which his father built in 1764, on what is called East Main St., at the Valley in W. Boylston. This was intended for a public house and was thus used by the two Ezra Beamans for nearly a hundred



years. Ezra, Jr. was much like his father and followed him in deeds, being a generous man and a useful citizen, held in high esteem by every one. A few years before his death a large majority at the town meeting voted to change the name of the town to Beaman, but the matter was dropt when it was learned that Ezra, Jr. was strongly opposed to it. He d. July 24, 1863, aged 92 years. "He always wore his hair in a cue."

Eunice Beaman⁵, (115) m. Silas Newton, and d. in 1864.

Ephraim Moore Beaman*, (61) b. in Bolton, Mass., in 1743, m. Tamar Howe of Lancaster, intentions declared April 29, 1764. He lived in W. Boylston and d. in 1805. Mrs. Beaman d. in 1824, aged 81 years. Children:

- 116. Silas⁵, b. April 7, 1765,
- 117. Tamar⁵, who m. June 24, 1792, Jesse Dana.

Silas (Howe) Beaman⁵, (116) was highly esteemed as a teacher, beginning at the age of sixteen, and he was thus employed during winter seasons for twenty five years. He m. Persis—dau. of Rev. Asaph Rice of Westminster, Mass. Silas d. in 1811. Persis d. in 1815, aged 47 years.



LINE OF THOMAS.

Thomas Clark Beaman², (5) b, in Dorchester, Suffolk Co., Mass., in 1654, fought in King Philip's War. Aug. 4, 1675, Major Willard of Lancaster and Capt. Parker of Groton marcht to the relief of Brookfield (Quabaug) with forty six men, among whom was Thomas Beaman of Lancaster. He served till January 25. About 1678 he m. Elizabeth Williams of Marlboro, Middlesex Co., Mass,-dau. of Abraham Williams and Joanna Ward. His father-in-law made him an heir by willing him sixty six acres of land. He lived near The Pond in Marlboro. Abraham Williams was son of William of Watertown, "who was perhaps the William of Salem who came from Yarmouth, England." Joanna was dau. of Wm. and Joanna Ward of Sudbury. Thomas d. in Marlboro, Nov. 13, 1750, aged 96 years. Children:

- 22. Elizabeth³, b. Jan. 4, d. Jan. 16, 1679-80.
- 23. Eleazer3, b. June 6, 1683,
- 24. Sarah³, b. Dec. 13, 1685,
- 25. Abraham³, b. May 4, 1692,
- 26. Lydia³; d. in 1697.
- 27. Daniel³; d. in 1722.

Sarah Williams Beaman³, (24) m., Oct. 28, 1719, Jacob—son of Isaac Amsden and Jane Rutter—b. in Marlboro, Feb. 29, 1688. Sarah d. in Marlboro, Sept. 11, 1748. Children:

Mary; Lydia; Abigail.



The Amsden Genealogy—New England Genealogical Register, Vol. 15—says that Zipporah Beaman who m. Isaac Amsden, was also a daughter of Thomas, but as we have seen she was his niece. In his will drawn in 1727, Thomas gave property to his sons Eleazer and Abraham, to his daughter Sarah Amsden, and son Jacob Amsden, but he gave nothing to Zipporah's children, which shows that they were not his grandchildren.



GAMALIEL; THOMAS, ELEAZER.

Eleazer Williams Beaman³, (23) b. in Marlboro, m. in that town, Mar. 2, 1726, Hannah Howe. He settled in Westboro, an adjoining town. He d. Nov. 7, 1750. Hannah d. Sept. 8, 1782. Children:

- 64. Abraham', b. Dec. 1, 1726; died.
- 65. Eleazer4, b. April 26, 1728; d. Jan. 1, 1740.
- 66. Abraham4, b. Dec. 1, 1729,
- 67. Hannah', b. April 23, 1731,
- 68. Sarah', b. Sept. 10, 1732; d. Jan. 9, 1741.
- 69. Abigail, b. Feb. 9, 1735; d. Dec. 30, 1740.

Hannah Howe Beaman*, Jr., (67) m., May 24, 1749, Jonathan Bruce.

Abraham Howe Beaman*, (66) b. in Westboro, Worcester Co., Mass., marcht to Lexington in Capt. Seth Morse's co., Maj. Gen. Ward's regt.—service fourteen days. He m., Mar. 12, 1752, Miriam Maynard, who d. Sept. 19, 1793; m. (2) Prudence Hudson of Southboro, intentions entered Oct. 3, 1795. She d. Nov. 20, 1833. Abraham d. in Westboro, April 11, 1815. Children:

- 118. Miriam⁵, b. Jan. 26, 1753,
- 119. Abram5, b. Jan. 18, 1754,
- 120. Eleazer⁵, b. Mar. 11, 1757; d. Jan. 11, 1775.
- 121. Levi⁵, b. May 26, 1762,
- 122. Asenath⁵, b. Aug. 30, 1764; d. Jan. 16, 1766.
- 123. John⁵, b. Nov. 7, 1766.



Miriam Maynard Beaman⁵, Jr., (118) in. Solomon Bathrick, intentions entered May 19, 1772.

Abram Maynard Beaman⁵, (119) was baptized Abraham but called himself Abram. He marcht to Lexington in Capt. Silas Gates's co., Col. Ward's regt. Abram Beaman, militia 6 weeks in 1775; in North Army, 1 turn in 1776; in Militia to Providence 2 mos. in 1777; in Militia, North Army, 30 days in 1777. Abram d. unmarried, July 24, 1782.

Levi Maynard Beaman⁵, (121) m., Jan. 30, 1791, Thankful Livermore. No children recorded. He d. in Westboro; date illegible. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 24, 1842.

John (Maynard) Beaman⁵, (123) b. in Westboro, Mass., m., Feb. 14, 1791, Elizabeth Warren. He d. in Westboro, Oct. 2, 1848. Mrs. Beaman d. April 28, 1834. Children:

- Olive⁶, b. July 12, 1792; d. Jan. 6, 1865, unmarried.
- 198. Susanna⁶, b. Feb. 21, 1797,
- 199. Elizabeth⁶, b. Jan. 22, 1799,
- 200. Curtis, b. Dec. 1, 1800,
- Persis⁶, b. Oct. 2, 1802; d. Feb. 8, 1881, unmarried.

Elizabeth Beaman*, (199) m., April 4, 1819, Josiah Warren.

Capt. Curtis Beaman^e, (200) b. in Westboro, Mass.,



was an officer in the militia. He m., Nov. 11, 1840, Abigail—dau. of Joshua and Betsy Mellen. Capt. Curtis d. in Westboro, May 2, 1887. Mrs. Beaman d. Feb. 15, 1899. Children, b. in Westboro;

- 332. John Curtis¹, b. Aug. 20, 1841,
 - 333. Joshua Edward¹, b. Jan. 23, 1844,
 - 334. Henry Austin, b. Oct. 2, 1846; d. Jan. 13, 1848.
 - 335. Mary Elizabeth[†], b. Aug. 13, 1849,
 - 336. Marian Louisa, b. June 5, 1853.

Joshua Edward Beaman', (333) m. Susie M. Barnard. He d. in Westboro, Feb. 16, 1899. Susie d. Sept. 2, 1894. Child:

476. Edwards, b. June 25, d. July 5, 1892.



GAMALIEL; THOMAS; ABRAHAM.

Lieut. Abraham Williams Beaman³, (25) b. in Marlboro, Middlesex Co., Mass., May 4, 1692, was an officer in the militia. "Abraham Beaman appears on a Muster Roll of a company in his Majesty's service, under command of Capt. Nathan Brigham; quality centinel; entered service Sept. 18; served till Oct. 9; 3 weeks 1 day, troop of horse. Year not given; endorsed 1725." He m., Mar. 16, 1725, Mary—dau. of Caleb and Mary Rice. He d. in Marlboro, Nov. 13, 1750. Mary d. May 18, 1790, aged 90 years. Children:

- 70. Elizabeth⁴, b. Jan. 8, 1727,
- 71. Noah, b. May 19, 1730,
- 72. Mary', b. Dec. 1, 1734.

Elizabeth Rice Beaman⁴, (70) m., Jan. 30, 1752, Stephen Howe.

Mary Rice Beaman', (72) m., Dec. 1, 1754, Ithamar Brigham.

Lieut. Noah Rice Beaman, (71) b. in Marlboro, Mass., marcht to Lexington as Sergeant in Capt. Wm. Brigham's co., Col. Jonathan Ward's regt.—service 17 days. He was also, July 5, 1776, commissioned as 1st Lieutenant in Capt. Paul Brigham's 5th (2d Marlboro) co., Col. Ezekiel Howe's 4th Middlesex County regt. He m. Lydia—dau. of Ephraim Howe and Lydia Rice. He d. in Marlboro, Mar. 3, 1800. Lydia d. Nov. 5, 1806. Children:



124. Lydia⁵, b. April 9, 1756,

125. Abraham⁵, b. Nov. 14, 1757,

126. - Noah⁵, Jr., b. April 7, 1759,

127. Anna⁵, b. Mar. 1, 1761,

128. Aaron⁵, b. Nov. 25, 1762,

129. Mary⁵, b. Nov. 21, 1764,

130. Samuel⁵, b. Oct. 29, 1766; d. July 3, 1791.

131. Elizabeth⁵, b. April 30, 1769.

Lydia Beaman⁵, (124) m., Nov. 18, 1777, Josiah Parker.

Noah Beaman⁵, Jr., (126) fought in the Revolution. Noah Beaman, Jr., Marlboro, in Capt. Paul Brigham's co. of militia, to New York, 2 mos. in 1776; also in Capt. Caleb Brooks's co., Col. Dike's regt., service from Dec. 20, 1776 to Mar. 1, 1777; also in Mass. Bay service, 3 mos. in 1777; also in Capt. Amasa Cranston's co., Col. Samuel Denny's regt., enlisted Nov. 3, 1779, for 3 mos., discharged Nov. 23, 1779, service at Claverack, N. Y. He m., Nov. 9, 1780, Elizabeth Jewett of Stow, Mass., and d. in Marlboro, in 1800. No children recorded.

Anna Beaman⁵, (127) m., Nov. 2, 1786, Daniel Brigham.

Mary Beaman⁵, (129) m., Aug. 25, 1783, John Loring.

Elizabeth Beaman⁵, (131) m. Ezra Gibbs.



Abraham Howe Beamans, (125) b. in Marlboro, Mass., marcht to Lexington in Capt. Wm. Brigham's co., Col. Jonathan Ward's regt., service 17 days; also enlisted Oct. 2, 1777, in Capt. Wm. Morse's co. of Volunteers, Col. Jonathan Read's regt., and marcht to reinforce army under Gen. Gates. The Second Battle of Stillwater was fought by Gates's troops, Nov. 7, and proved a great victory-service 1 mo. 7 days. Burgovne surrendered Nov. 17, 1777. Also he was probably the Abraham Beaman who enlisted Dec. 4, 1775, in Capt. Gates's co.—list of men dated Jan. 30, 1776; also was probably the private in Capt. Gleason's co., Col. Josiah Whitney's regt.-return dated at North Kingston, June 26, 1777. He m. in 1781 (History of Marlboro) Lydia Gates, and some years later removed to Portland, Me. Nov. 11, 1812, he was appointed administrator of his mother's estate, but nothing farther could be learned of him, as the Probate Records of Portland have been burned. Children:

202. Aaron⁶, b. about 1782,

203. Christian⁶, b. Jan. 26, 1786.

Aaron Beaman*, (202) settled in an adjoining town—Northboro, Worcester Co., Mass., before his marriage, and d. there Mar. 21, 1845, the record says, "aged 66 years, born in Marlboro." The age is probably incorrect. He must have been a son of Abraham, as Noah appears to have had no children, and the uncle Aaron had a son of his own named after himself. He m., June 27, 1801, Hannah Fay of Marlboro. He is



confounded in the History of Marlboro, with his uncle Aaron, who m. Phebe Gould. Hannah d. Feb. 28, 1839, aged 59 years. Children:

337. Anna¹, b. Sept. 29, 1802,

338. Abel¹, b. Dec. 2, 1803,

339. Aaron, b. July 26, 1805,

340. Artemas[†], b. Feb. 18, 1808,

341. Amma[†], b. Nov. 8, 1809,

342. William King^r, b. Mar. 24, 1812,

343. Prudence⁷, b. Aug. 28, 1814,

344. Hannah⁷, b. Sept. 19, 1818,

345. Susanna Fay[†], b. April 27, 1820,

346. Abraham^r, b. Jan. 3, 1823; d. Mar. 11, 1847.

Anna Beaman', (337) m., Dec. 16, 1830, Galen P. Damon of Grafton.

Abel Beaman⁷, (338) m. Huldah Kendall, Jr. He d. in Northboro, June 24, 1861. Mrs. Beaman d. Mar. 7, 1845, aged nearly 48 years. Child:

477. George Reynolds⁸, b. June 4, 1836.

Amma Beaman', (341) m., Aug. 7, 1832, Asenath Patterson of Northboro.

Artemas Beaman', (340) m., October, 1833, Maria M.—dau. of Benjamin Wood and Betsy Dustin—b. in Upton, Mass., in 1810. They settled in the adjoining town of Westboro where he d. April 3, 1872. Mrs. Beaman d. Jan. 18, 1877. Children:

478. Orra⁸, b. Oct. 4, 1834,



- 479. Caroline⁸, b. June 26, 1836; d. Aug. 14, 1846.
- 480. Aaron⁸, b. Dec. 5, 1837,
- 481. Willard Woods, b. Oct. 17, 1848.

Orra Beaman⁸, (478) m. Mary E.—dau. of Israel Moody and Rachel Denister. Children, b. in Westboro:

- 626. Mary Emma⁹, b. Feb. 13, 1864,
- 627. Willard Wa., b. Aug. 18, 1865.

Willard Wood Beaman⁸, (481) m. Emma J.—dau. of Joseph W. Smith and Betsy Perry—b. in Upton, Mass., Aug. 31, 1850. They live in Plymouth, Mass., where he is in the Undertaking business. Children:

- 628. Everett Ralph⁹, b. Nov. 15, 1877,
- . 629. Howard Gardner, b. Sept. 16, 1880,
 - 630. Ray Merrill9; d. Oct. 16, 1890.

Aaron (Howe) Beaman³, (128) b. in Marlboro, Middlesex Co., Mass., Nov. 25, 1762, fought in the Revolution in Capt. Moses Barnes's co., Lieut. Col. Solomon Pierce's regt., enlisted May 24, 1779—service 1 mo. 7 days, at Tiverton, R. I.; also, "Descriptive list of men raised by town of Marlboro for six months to reinforce Continental Army—Aaron Beaman, Marlboro, age 17 years, stature 6 ft., complexion light; arrived at Springfield, July 13, 1780; marcht to camp under Capt. Thomas Pritchard;" at Camp Totoway, Oct. 25, service 5 mos. 16 days. He m. in 1789, Phebe—dau. of Amos Gould—b. in Boxford, Mass., Mar. 6,



1766. They removed to Bridgeton, Me., where they lived together in one house fifty two years. He d. July 11, 1843. Mrs. Beaman d. April 7, 1841. Children, name spelt Beeman:

204. Stephen⁶, b. Dec. 4, 1790; d. Mar. 9, 1874.

205. Cynthia⁶, b. Feb. 29, 1792; d. July 6, 1825.

206. Sophia⁶, b. Feb. 29, 1792; d. Oct. 11, 1829.

207 and 208. Twin sons⁶; d. at one year.

209. Nancy⁶, b. Oct. 14, 1795,

210. Aaron⁶, b. July 14, 1797; d. November, 1839.

211. Phebe, b. Jan. 14, 1800; d. January, 1840.

212. Betsy, b. July 26, 1802; d. July, 1827.

213. Samuel^e, b. Feb. 12, 1808; d. July 8, 1877.

Nancy Beeman⁶, (209) m., Jan. 17, 1821, at N. Brigeton, Me., Rev. Jacob Scales of Colchester, Conn. She d. Oct. 20, 1848.

Elias Olcott Beaman, (382) was a photographer and, May, 1871, he went as artist with Major J. W. Powell's Expedition, sent by the government to explore the Colorado River. They went nine hundred miles, far beyond where any white man before had trod. In 1874, beginning in April, he publisht in Appleton's Journal, an illustrated series of articles describing this journey.



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Beaman.—[This name also appears under the form of Beamen, Beeman, Beeman, Bemain, Bemand, Bemant, Bement, Bemont, Bemon, Bernard, Bemeant.]

The name Bernard in the above list, is probably meant for Benard, the script in the original records not being very legible. Some of the Lancaster and Marlboro Beamans had their names spelt in various ways; as, Benant, Benand, Benard and Benard.—Ed.

John Beaman. Private, Colonel's co., commanded by Lieut. John Hobby, Col. Henry Jackson's (16th) regt., pay roll for service from July 20 to Aug. 1, 1780.

John Beaman. Private, Capt. Jonathan Maynard's (6th) co., Lieut. Col. John Brooks's (7th) regt., muster rolls for Aug., Oct., and Nov., 1782; also, Capt. Nathaniel C. Allen's (8th) co., Lieut. Col. Brooks's regt., muster roll from Dec., 1782 to Mar., 1783, discharged Apr. 16.

The above two records probably refer to John Beaman of Leominster, but the fact cannot now be ascertained as no residence is given, and there is no John Beaman on the Pension Rolls at Washington.

JOHN'S LINE. (Probably.)

Jason Bemon, Concord. Descriptive list of men



enlisted from Middlesex Co. for the term of 9 months from the time of their arrival at Fishkill, (N. Y.) June 17, 1778, Capt. Hubbard's co., Col. Brooks's regt., age 20 yrs., stature 5 ft. 8 in., residence Concord.

Jonathan Bemon. Private. Capt. Frances Felton's (Marblehead) co., enlisted July 17, 1775—service 3 mos. 23 days.

John Bernard or Bemard, Medford. Capt. Abijah Childs's co., Col. John Greaton's (2d) regt., muster return (year not given), residence Medford, reported deserted. (Soldiers often went home without leave for clothes, or for other reasons, and were reported as deserters, but were afterward found in the ranks again.)

Edmund Bemard. Amesbury. Private, Capt. John Currier's co., Col. James Frye's regt., company return (probably Oct., 1775).

Currier Bemard. Private, Capt. Jonathan Evans's co., Col. Samuel Johnson's regt., enlisted Aug. 19, discharged Nov. 30, 1777. Roll sworn to in Middlesex co.

Jonathan Bemard. Private, Capt. Jonathan Evans's co., Col. Samuel Johnson's regt., enlisted Aug. 19, 1777, discharged Nov. 30. Roll sworn to in Middlesex co.

Thomas Bernard. Amesbury. Corporal, Capt. John Currier's co., Col. James Frye's regt., company return (probably Oct., 1775).

Richard Bernard. Boston. Sergeant, Light Infantry co., Col. Joseph Vose's (1st) regt., Continental pay account from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1780.



Abraham Beeman, Harwich. Private in Capt. Abijah Bangs's co., Col. Dike's regt., return of men in service from Dec. 3, 1776, to Mar. 1, 1777.

SIMON'S LINE.

Francis Bernard. Private, Capt. Moses Harvey's co., Col. Woodbridge's regt., enlisted Aug. 22, 1777, discharged Nov. 29—company raised to reinforce Northern Army. (Probably at Stillwater.)

Considerate Beeman. Private in Capt. Joseph Browning's co., Col. Seth Murray's (Hampshire co.) regt., enlisted July 21, 1780, discharged Oct. 10—to reinforce Continental Army.

Consider Bemont. Private, Capt. John Carpenter's co. of Guards, enlisted Mar. 16, 1779, discharged June 16; service at Springfield.

Samuel Beaman. List of prisoners sent from Newport, R. I., in the prison ship of Lord Sandwich and landed at Bristol, Mar. 7, 1778.

Sebe Bemont. Private, Capt. Daniel Cadwell's co., Col. Timothy Robinson's regt., (Hampshire co.), enlisted Dec. 25, 1776, discharged Apr. 2, 1777, service at Ticonderoga, roll dated Springfield.

Seba Bement. Private, Capt. Ephraim Chapin's co., Col. Ruggles Woodbridge's regt., enlisted Aug. 12, 1777, discharged Nov. 30—under Gates in Northern department. (Stillwater.)

Seba Beeman. Springfield. Descriptive list of men enlisted from Hampshire co. from the time of their arrival at Fishkill, (N. Y.) June 16, 1778, Capt. Chapin's



co., Col. Bliss's regt., age 19 yrs., stature 5 ft. 7 in., complexion light, residence Springfield.

Daniel Beeman, Capt. John Wood's co., Col. Baldwin's regt., 19 days service from Dec. 12, 1775; reported not in service at time of enlistment.

Phineas Bemon, residence Ashfield. List of men enlisted from Hampshire co., for the term of 9 months from the time of arrival at Fishkill. (N. Y.) July 14, 1778.

Phineas Beman, Hatfield. Descriptive list of men belonging to Hampshire co., age 22 yrs., stature 5 ft. 8 in., complexion light, hair light, occupation farmer; enlisted July 4, 1781, for 6 months.

Phineas Beman, Brookfield, enlisted into Continental Army from Col. Converse's (4th Worcester co.) regt., dated Brookfield, Sept. 15, 1777.

Phineas Beeman, also given Bement. Private, Capt. Benjamin Phillips's co., Lieut. Col. Timothy Robinson's (Hampshire co.) regt., enlisted Dec. 23, 1776, discharged Apr. 1, 1777—in command of the blockhouse at the mills at Ticonderoga; also Capt. Phillip's co., Col. Elisha Porter's (Hampshire co.) regt., from July 10 to Aug. 12, 1777, in Northern department; also Capt. Abel Dinsmore's co., Col. Porter's regt., from July 24 to Aug. 31, 1779, service at New London, Conn.

Asa Bemeant. Private, Capt. Ezra Whittlesey's co., 3d (Berkshire co.) regt., from Oct. 14 to Oct. 18, 1780, on an alarm at the Westward.

Asa Bement, Jr. Private, Capt. Ezra Whittlesey's co., 3d (Berkshire co.) regt., service from Oct. 20 to



Oct. 22, 1780, on an alarm at the Westward; also 2 days service from Nov. 5, 1780, on an alarm at the Northward.

William Bement. Armorer in Col. Fellows's regt., at Roxbury Camp, May 31, 1775; also letter to the Council written by Col. John Fellows, dated Sheffield, Feb. 1, 1777, asking that said Bement be commissioned as 2d Lieutenant in a Matross co., raised in Sheffield for his (1st) regt.

Jesse Bement, Brimfield. Private, Capt. Joseph Thompson's co., Col. Timothy Danielson's regt., enlisted Apr. 29, 1775—service 3 mos. 10 days; also company return dated Roxbury, Oct. 6, 1775; also bounty coat or its equivalent in money at Roxbury, Nov. 7, 1775; also Capt. Toogood's 5th co., Col. Thomas Nixon's (6th) regt., Continental Army, from Apr. 24, 1777 to Dec. 31, 1779; also Capt. Benjamin Heywood's co., Col. Thomas Nixon's (6th) regt., Continental Army, service from Jan. 1 to Apr. 1, 1780.

Jesse Bement. Receipt for bounty paid him by Ephraim Pierce of the town of Waltham, to serve in the Continental Army for 3 years, dated Boston, May 15, 1782.

Jesse Beman. Private, Capt. Aaron Charles's co., Lieut. Col. Timothy Robinson's (Hampshire co.) regt., service from Dec. 25, 1776 to Mar. 25, 1777, roll dated Garrison at Ticonderoga.

Reuben Beament. Sergeant, Capt. Zenas Wheeler's co., Col. Hopkin's (Berkshire co.) regt., from July 15 to Aug. 4, 1776, marcht to the Highlands, N. Y., on an alarm.



Reuben Bemard. Seaman. List of prisoners exchanged for British prisoners by order of Lord Howe, dated His Majesty's ship Eagle off New York, Apr. 25, 1777.

Reuben Beeman. Sergeant, Lieut. Eli Hermon's co., Col. John Brown's (Berkshire co.) regt., from June 30 to July 27, 1777—marcht to Ft. Ann, N. Y.; also Capt. Elijah Denning's co., Col. Ashley's (Berkshire co.) regt., enlisted Sept. 19, 1777, served till Oct. 18—ordered to Stillwater by Maj. Gen. Gates; also Capt. Enoch Noble's co., Col. Ezra Wood's regt.—pay abstract for May, June, Aug. and Sept., 1778, reported sick in hospital; also pay roll for Oct. and Dec. 1778; also order for wages for 1778, dated New Marlboro, Aug. 30, 1779; also Capt. John Collar's co., Col. John Ashley's (Berkshire co.) regt.—marcht to the Northward, Oct. 14, 1780, on an alarm, service 6 days.

Reuben Beman. Lieutenant, Capt. Simon Adams's co., Col. John Collar's regt., Gen. Fellows's Brigade, from Oct. 13 to Oct. 20, 1781, on an alarm at the Northward.

Ebenezer Bement, Great Barrington. Adjutant in Col. John Fellows's regt. of Minute men, service 4 days from Apr. 1, 1775; also pay roll for 3 mos. 14 days from Apr. 25, 1775—at Roxbury Camp, May 3; also Adjutant in Capt. King's co., Col. Fellows's regt.—return dated Dorchester, Oct. 7, 1775; also Col. Mark Hopkin's (Berkshire co.) regt., from July 15 to July 31, 1776—service at or near Peeksville, N. Y.; also 1st Lieutenant in Capt. Stephen Dewey's co., Col.



Jonathan Smith's regt., list of officers (year not given); also Brigade Major in Gen. Patterson's Brigade, Continental pay account for service from June 10, 1777, to Aug. 12, 1779.

George Beman. Boston (also given Brimfield). Private, Capt. Wm. Toogood's (5th) co., Col. Thomas Nixon's (6th) regt., Continental Army pay accounts for service from June 29, 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779-enlistment 3 yrs.; also return of men dated camp near Peekskill, Feb. 16, 1779; also Capt. Toogood's co., Col. Nixon's regt., muster roll for May, 1779, dated Highlands-reported sick at Hillsborough; also pay abstract for Aug., 1779; also Capt. Benjamin Heywood's co., Col. Nixon's regt., in Nov. and Dec., 1779; also Descriptive list of men in Col. Nixon's regt., age 30 yrs., stature 5 ft. 10 in., complexion dark, residence Brimfield; also return for clothing, dated Feb. 6, 1780; transferred Feb. 4, 1780, to Capt. Abel Holden's (Light Infantry) co., Col. Nixon's regt., pay abstracts for Jan. to July, 1780; also list of men in need of clothing, dated Peekskill, July 30, 1780; also Capt. Toogood's co., 6th regt., return for clothing dated Peekskill, Dec. 5, 1780.

George Beman. Capt. Peter Clayes's co., Col. Nixon's regt., Continental Army pay account from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1780—reported invalided; also list of men in need of clothing, dated Village, July 5, 1780; also Capt. Clayes's co., 6th regt., pay abstract for Nov. and Dec., 1780—reported sick at Fishkill; also Descriptive list of enlisted men dated West Point, Jan. 29,



1781, Capt. Clayes's co., Lieut. Col. Smith's (6th) regt., age 45 yrs., stature 5 ft. 6 in., complexion dark, eyes dark, hair dark, residence Brimfield, enlisted Nov. 16, 1779, by Capt. Clayes, enlistment during war; reported sick in hospital from Jan. to Mar., 1781; transferred to corps of invalids, April 18; received wages till Dec., 1781. (The last two records are groupt together in the Mass. Archives, and said to describe the same soldier, but a comparison of dates seems to disprove this.)

George Bemain. Capt. John Callender's co., Col. Gridley's (Artillery) regt.—receipt for advance pay, dated Ranskill, June 22, 1775; also Matross, muster muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775—enlisted June 5, 1775, service 2 mos. 1 day.

John Bement. Private, Capt. Benjamin Phillip's co., Col. Elisha Porter's (Hampshire co.) regt., served from July 10 to Aug. 12, 1777, in Northern Department; also Descriptive list of men raised by the town of Ashfield to reinforce Continental Army for 6 months—age 19 yrs, stature 5 ft. 7 in., complexion light, residence Ashfield—marched to camp, July 21, 1780, under command of Capt. Isaac Pope, arrived at Springfield July 27; at Camp Totoway under Brig. Gen. Patterson, Oct. 25, 1780.

John Beeman, Ashford, (also given Ashfield). Descriptive list of enlisted men, age 22 yrs, stature 5 ft. 7 in., complexion light, hair light, occupation farmer, enlisted for town of Whately, May, 1781, for 3 yrs—joined Capt. Allen's co., Col. John Brook's regt. (There is no Ashford in Massachusetts.)



John Beament. Private, Capt. Sylvanus Rice's co., Col. Israel Chapin's (3d) regt., enlisted Oct. 28, 1779, served till Nov. 22, at Claverack, N. Y.

Northern Army and Northern Department refer to Ticonderoga.



MRS. ROWLANDSON'S REMOVES.

On the tenth of Feb., 1675, (Feb. 20, 1676, N. S.) came the Indians with great numbers upon Lancaster. Their first coming was about sun-rising. Hearing the noise of some guns, we looked out; several houses were burning and the smoke asending to heaven. There were five persons in one house—the father, the mother, and a sucking child; that they knockt on the head; the other two they carried away alive. There were two others, who being out of their garrison upon some occasion, were set upon; one was knockt on the head, the other escaped. Another there was who running along, was shot and wounded, and fell down. He begged of them his life, promising them money (as they told me), but they would not hearken to him, but knockt him on the head and stript him naked, and split open his bowels. Another seeing many of the Indians about his barn, ventured and went out, but was quickly shot down. There were three others belonging to the same garrison who were killed, the Indians getting upon the roof of the barn, having advantage to shoot down upon them over their fortification. Thus these murderous wretches went on, burning and destroying before them.

At last they came and beset our own house, and quickly it was the dolefulest day that mine eyes ever saw. The house stood upon the edge of a hill; some of the Indians got behind the hill; others, into the barn; and others, behind anything that could shelter them,—from all which places they shot against the house, so that the bullets seemed to fly like hail; and



auickly they wounded one man among us, then another, and then a third.

About two hours, (according to my observation in that amazing time) they had been about the house, before they prevailed to fire it, which they did with flax and hemp which they brought out of the barn, and there being no defense about the house, (only two flankers at two opposite corners of the house, and one of them not finisht) they fired it once, and one ventured out and quencht it; but they quickly fired it again, and that took.

Now is the dreadful hour come, that I have often heard of-in time of war, as it was in the case of others-but now mine eves see it. Some in our house were fighting for their lives, others wallowing in their blood, the house on fire over our heads, and the bloody heathen ready to knock us on the head if we stirred out. Now might we hear mothers and children crying out for themselves and one another, "Lord, what shall we do?" Then I took my children, and one of my sisters took hers, to go forth and leave the house; but as soon as we came to the door and appeared, the Indians shot so thick that the bullets rattled against the house, as if one had taken a handful of stones and thrown them, so that we were fain to go back. We had six stout dogs belonging to our garrison, but none of them would stir, tho another time, if any Indian had come to the door, they were ready to fly up on him and tear him down. The Lord hereby would make us the more to acknowledge His hand, and to see that our help is always in Him. But out we must go, the fire increas-



ing and coming along behind us roaring, and the Indians gaping before us with their guns, spears, and hatchets, to devour us.

No sooner were we out of the house, but my brotherin-law, (Ensign John Divoll) being before wounded in or near the throat in defending the house, fell down dead,—whereat the Indians scornfully shouted and holloed, and were presently upon him, stripping off his clothes, the bullets flying thick. One went thru my side, and the same thru the bowels and hand of my dear child in my arms. One of my elder sister's children named William, had then his leg broken, which the Indians perceiving they knockt him on the head.

Thus were we butchered by those merciless heathen, standing amazed with the blood running down to our heels. My eldest sister, (wife of Capt. Henry Kerley), being yet in the house and seeing those awful sightsthe Infidels haling mothers one way and children another, and some wallowing in their blood, and her eldest son telling her that her son William was dead. and I was wounded-she said, "And Lord, let me die with them:" which was no sooner said but she was struck with a bullet, and fell down dead over the threshold. I hope she is reaping the fruit of her good labors, being faithful to the service of God in her place. In her younger years she lay under much trouble upon spiritual accounts, till it pleased God to make that precious scripture take hold of her heart, 2 Cor. 12, 9. "And He said unto me, 'My grace is sufficient for thee.' More than twenty years after, I have heard her tell how sweet and comfortable that place was to her.



But to return. The Indians laid hold of me, pulling me one way, and the children another, and said, "Come go along with us." I told them they would kill me; they answered, if I were willing to go along with them they would not hurt me. Oh, the doeful sight that now was to behold at this house. Come behold the works of the Lord, what desolations He has made in the earth. Of thirty seven persons who were in this one house, none escaped either a present death or a bitter captivity, save only one, who might say as he, Job 1. 15. "And I only am escaped alone to tell the news." There were twelve killed,-some shot. some stabbed with their spears, some knockt down with their hatchets. When we are in prosperity, oh, the little that we think of such dreadful sights, and to see our dear friends and relations lie bleeding out their heart blood on the ground.

There was one who was chopt into the head with a hatchet and stript naked, and yet crawling up and down. It is a solemn sight to see so many Christians lying in their blood, some here, some there, like a company of sheep torn by wolves; all of them stript naked by a company of hell hounds, roaring, singing, ranting and insulting, as if they would have torn our very hearts out. Yet the Lord by his almighty power preserved a number of us from death, for there were twenty four of us taken alive and carried captive.

I had often before this, said that if the Indians should come, I should choose rather to be killed by them than to be taken alive; but when it came to the trial my mind changed. Their glittering weapons so



daunted my spirit, that I chose rather to go along with those, as I may say, ravenous beasts, than that moment to end my days; and that I may the better declare what happened to me during that grievous captivity, I shall particularly speak of the several removes we had, up and down the wilderness.

1st Remove. Now away we must go with those barbarous creatures, with our bodies wounded and bleeding, and our hearts no less than our bodies. About a mile we went that night, up upon a hill within sight of a town where they intended to lodge. There was hard by a vacant house, deserted by the English before, for fear of the Indians. I askt them whether I might lodge in the house that night, to which they answered, "What, will you love Englishmen still?" This was the dolefulest night that ever my eyes saw.

Oh, the roaring, and singing, and yelling, and dancing, of the black creatures in the night, which made the place a lively resemblance of hell. And as miserable was the waste that was there made, of horses, cattle, sheep, swine, calves, lambs, roasting pigs and fowl, which they had plundered in the town,—some roasting, some lying and burning, and some boiling to feed our merciless enemies, who were joyful enough, tho we were disconsolate.

To add to the dolefulness of the former day, and the dismalness of the present night, my thoughts ran on my losses and sad bereaved condition. All was gone,—my husband gone (at least, separated from me, he being in the bay; and to add to my grief, the Indians



told me they would kill him), my children gone, my relations and friends gone, our house and home and all our comforts within door and without, all were gone except my life, and I knew not but the next moment that might go too.

There remained nothing to me but one poor wounded babe, and it seemed at present worse than death that it was in such a pitiful condition, bespeaking compassion, and I had no refreshing for it, nor suitable things to revive it. Little do many think what is the savageness and brutishness of this barbarous enemy, even those that profess, more than others among them, when the English have fallen into their hands. Those seven that were killed at Lancaster the summer before upon a Sabbath day, and the one that was afterward killed on a week day, were slain and mangled in a barbarous manner by One-eyed John and Marlboro's praying Indians, which Capt. Mosely brought to Boston, as the Indians told me.

2d Remove. But now the next morning I must turn my back upon the town, and travel with them into the waste and desolate wilderness, I knew not whither. It is not my tongue or pen can express the sorrows of my spirit that I had at this departure; but God was with me in a wonderful manner, carrying me along and bearing up my spirit that it did not quite fail. One of the Indians carried my poor, wounded babe upon a horse. It went moaning all along, "I shall die, I shall die." I went on foot after it with sorrow that cannot be exprest. At last I took it off the horse, and carried



it in my arms till my strength failed and I fell down with it. Then they set me upon a horse with my wounded child in my lap, and there being no furniture upon the horse's back, as we were going down a steep hill, we both fell over the horse's head; at which they, like inhuman creatures, laughed and rejoiced to see it, tho I thought we should there have ended our days; but the Lord renewed my strength still, and carried me along that I might see more of His power; yea, so much that I could never have thought of, had I not experienced it.

After this it quickly began to snow and when night came on they stopt; and now down I must sit in the snow by a little fire and a few boughs behind me, with my sick child in my arms, calling much for water,—being now, thru the wound, fallen into a violent fever. My own wound also had grown so stiff that I could scarce sit down or rise up, yet I must sit all this cold winter night upon the cold, snowy ground with my sick child in my arms, looking that every hour would be the last of its life, and having no Christian friend near me, either to comfort or help me. Oh, I may see the wonderful power of God that my spirit did not utterly sink under my affliction. Still the Lord upheld me with his gracious and merciful spirit, and we were both alive to see the light of the next morning.

3d Remove. The morning being come they prepared to go on their way. One of the Indians got up on a horse, and they set me behind him with my poor, sick babe in my lap. A very wearisome and tedious



day I had of it, what with my own wound, and my child's being so exceedingly sick with her wound. It may be easily judged what a poor, feeble condition we were in, there being not the least crumb of refreshing that came within either of our mouths, from Wednesday night to Saturday night, except a little cold water.

This day in the afternoon about an hour by sun, we came to the place they intended, an Indian town called Wenemesset, northward of Quabaug (Brookfield). When we were come, oh, the number of pagans, now merciless enemies, that came about me, that I may say as David, Psalm 27. 13. "I had fainted unless I had believed God." The next day was the Sabbath. I then remembered how careless I had been of God's holy time: how many Sabbaths I had lost and misspent, and how evilly I had walkt in God's sight; which lay so close unto my spirit, that it was easy for me to see how righteous it was for God to cut off the thread of my life, and cast me out of his presence forever. Yet the Lord still showed mercy to me and upheld me, and as He wounded me with one hand, so He healed me with the other.

This day there came to me one Robert Pepper, a man belonging to Roxbury, who was taken in Capt. Beer's fight. He had been now a considerable time with the Indians, and up with them almost as far as Albany, to see King Philip, and was now very lately come into these parts. Hearing that I was in this Indian town, he obtained leave to come and see me. He told me that he was wounded in the leg at Capt.



Beer's fight, and was not able for some time to go; but as they carried him and as he took oaken leaves and laid to his wound, thru the blessing of God he was able to travel again. Then I took oaken leaves and laid to my side, and with the blessing of God it cured me, also.

I sat much alone with a poor, wounded child in my lap, which moaned night and day, having nothing to revive the body or cheer the spirits of her, but instead of that sometimes one Indian would come and tell me "Your master will knock your child on head," and then a second and then a third, "Your master will quickly knock your child on head."

This was the comfort I had from them; "Miserable comforters are ye all," as he said. Thus nine days I sat upon my knees with my babe in my lap till my flesh was raw again. My child being even ready to depart this sorrowful world, they bade me carry it out to another wigwam,—I suppose because they would not be troubled with such spectacles. Whither I went with a heavy heart, and down I sat with the picture of death in my lap.

About two hours in the night my sweet babe like a lamb departed life, on Feb. 18, 1675, it being about six years and five months old. It was nine days from the first wounding in this miserable condition, without any refreshing of one nature or other, except a little cold water. I cannot but take notice, how at another time I could not bear to be in the room where any dead person was; but now the case is changed. I must and



could lie down by my dead babe, side by side, all the night after. I have thought since of the wonderful goodness of God to me, in preserving me in the use of my reason and senses in that distrest time, that I did not use wicked and violent means to end my own miserable life.

In the morning when they understood that my child was dead, they sent for me home to my master's wigwam. My master was Quanopin, who was a Sagamore and married King Philip's wife's sister; not that he first took me, but I was sold to him by another Narragansett Indian, who took me when I first came out of the garrison. I went to take up my child to carry it with me, but they bid me let it alone. There was no resisting; go I must and leave it. When I had been at my master's wigwam, I took the first opportunity I could get to go look after my dead child. I askt them what they had done with it. They told me it was on the hill. Then they went and shewed me where the ground was newly digged and they had buried it. There I left that child in the wilderness, and must commit it and myself also in this wilderness condition, to Him who is above all.

God having taken away this dear child, I went to see my daughter Mary who was at this same Indian town, at a wigwam not very far off, tho we had little liberty or opportunity to see one another. She was about ten years old, and taken from the door at first by a praying Indian, and afterward sold for a gun. When I came in sight she would fall a weeping, at



which they were provoked and would not let me come near her; but bade me begone, which was a heart cutting word to me. I had one child dead, another in the wilderness I knew not where, the other they would not let me come near. "Me (as he said) have ye bereaved of my children; Joseph is not and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin also; all things are against me."

I could not sit still in this condition but kept walking from one place to another. And as I was going along my heart was even overwhelmed with the thoughts of my condition, that I should have children and a nation which I knew not, ruled over them. Whereupon I earnestly entreated the Lord that He would consider my low estate, and shew me a token for good, and if it were His blessed will, some sign and hope of some relief. And indeed quickly the Lord answered in some measure my poor prayers, for as I was going up and down mourning and lamenting my condition, my son (aged fourteen) came to me and askt me how I did. I had not seen him before since the destruction of the town, and I knew not where he was till I was informed by himself that he was among a smaller parcel of Indians whose place was about six miles off. With tears in his eyes he askt me whether his sister Sarah was dead, and told me he had seen his sister Mary, and he prayed me that I would not be troubled in reference to himself.

The occasion of his coming to see me at this time, was this; There was, as I said, about six miles from us a small plantation of Indians where it seems he had



been during his captivity, and at this time there were some forces gathered out of our company and some also from them—among whom was my son's master—to go to assault and burn Medfield. In this time of the absence of his master, his dame brought him to see me. I took this to be some gracious answer to my earnest and unfeigned desire.

The next day, the Indians returned from Medfield, and all came thru the town where we were. But before they came to us, oh, the outrageous roaring and whooping that there was. They began their din about a mile before they came to us. By their noise and whooping they signified how many they had destroyed, which was twenty three.

Those that were with us at home, were gathered together as soon as they heard the whooping, and every time that the others went over their number, these at home gave a shout that the very earth rung again. And thus they continued till those that had been upon the expedition were come up to the Sagamore's Wigwam. And then, oh, the hideous insulting and triumphing that there was over some Englishmen's scalps that they had brought with them.

I cannot but take notice of the wonderful mercy of God to me in those afflictions, in sending me a Bible. One of the Indians that came from Medfield fight, had brought some plunder and came to me and askt whether I would have a Bible; he had one in his basket. I was glad of it and askt him whether he thought the Indians would let me read. He answered yes, so I



took the Bible and in that melancholy time it came into my mind to read first the 28th chapter of Deuteronomy, which I did; and then my dark heart wrought on this manner—that there was no mercy for me, that the blessings were gone and the curses come in their room, and that I had lost my opportunity.

But the Lord helpt me still to go on reading till I came to Chap. 30, where in the first seven verses I found there was mercy promist again if we would return to him by repentance; and tho we were scattered from one end of the earth to the other, yet the Lord would gather us together and turn all those curses upon our enemies. I do not desire to live to forget this scripture and the comfort it was to me.

Now the Indians began to talk of removing from this place, some one way and some another. There were now besides myself, nine English captives in this place, all of them children except one woman. I got an opportunity to go and take my leave of them; they being to go one way and I another. I askt them whether they were earnest with God for deliverance. They told me they did as they were able; and it was some comfort to me that the Lord stirred up children to look to him.

The woman, Goodwife Joslin, told me that she should never see me again and she could find it in her heart to run away. I wisht her not to run away by any means, for we were near thirty miles from any English town, and she very big with child and but one week to reckon. She had another child two years old in her arms, and



there were bad rivers to go over, and we were feeble with our poor and coarse entertainment. I had my Bible with me. I pulled it out and askt her whether she would read. We opened the Bible and lighted on Psalm 27, in which psalm we especially took notice of that verse 14, "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thy heart; wait, I say, on the Lord."

4th Remove. And now I must go from that little company I had. Here I parted from my daughter Mary—whom I never saw again till I saw her in Dorchester, returned from captivity—and from four little cousins and neighbors, some of whom I never saw afterward; the Lord only knows the end of them. Among them also was that poor woman before mentioned who came to a sad end, as some of the company told me in my travel.

She had much grief upon her spirit about her miserable condition, being so near her time, and she would be often asking the Indians to let her go home. They not being willing to that, and yet vext at her importunity, gathered a great company about her and stript her naked and set her in the midst of them. When they had sung and danced about her, in their hellish manner, as long as they pleased, they knockt her on head and the child in her arms with her. When they had done that, they made a fire and put them both into it, and told the other children that if they attempted to go home, they would serve them in like manner. The children said she did not shed one tear, but prayed all the while.



But to return to my own journey. We traveled about half a day, and in the middle of the afternoon came to a desolate place in the wilderness, where there were no wigwams or inhabitants. We were cold, and wet, and snowy, and hungry, and weary, and no refreshing but the cold ground to sit on, and our poor Indian cheer.

Heart aching thoughts I had here about my poor children, who were scattered up and down among the wild beasts of the forest. My head was light and dizzy, either thru hunger, or hard lodging, or trouble, or altogether. My knees were feeble, my body raw from sitting double night and day, so that I cannot express the affliction that lav upon my spirit; but the Lord helpt me at that time to express it to himself. I opened my Bible to read and the Lord brought that precious scripture to me, Jer. 31, 16, "Thus saith the Lord, 'Refrain thy voice from weeping and thine eves from tears, for thy work shall be rewarded, and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.' This was a sweet cordial to me when I was ready to faint. Many and many a time have I sat down and wept sweetly over this scripture. At this place we continued about four days.

5th Remove. The occasion, as I thought, of their moving at this time, was the English Army, it being near and following them. For they went as if they had gone for their lives, for some considerable way, and then they made a stop and chose some of their strongest men and sent them back to hold the English Army in play, while the rest escaped. And then like



Jehu they marcht on furiously, with their old and their young. Some carried their old, decrepit mothers; some carried one and some another. Four of them carried a great Indian upon a bier, but going thru a thick wood with him, they were hindered; whereupon they took him upon their backs and carried him one at a time till they came to Bacquaug River.

Friday, a little after noon, we came to this river. When all the company were come and gathered together, I thought to count them; but they were so many and being somewhat in motion, it was beyond my skill. In this travel because of my wound, I was somewhat favored in my load. I carried only my knitting work and two quarts of parcht meal. Being very faint I askt my mistress to give me one spoonful of the meal, but she would not give me a taste.

They quickly fell to cutting dry trees to make rafts to carry them over the river, and soon my turn came to go over. By the advantage of some brush that they had laid upon the raft to sit upon, I did not wet my foot, while many of themselves at the other end, were midleg deep. This cannot but be acknowledged as a favor of God to my weakened body, it being a very cold time. I was not before acquainted with such kind of doings or danger. "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee, and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee." Isaiah 43. 2.

A certain number of us got over the river that night, but it was the night after the Sabbath before all the company was got over. On Saturday they boiled an



old horse's leg, and we drank of the broth; and when it was almost gone they filled it up again. The first week of my being among them, I hardly ate anything. The second week I found my stomach grow very faint for want of something, and yet it was very hard to get down their filthy trash; but the third week, tho I could think how formerly my stomach would turn against this or that, yet they were sweet and savory to my taste.

I was at this time knitting a pair of white cotton stockings for my mistress, and had not yet wrought upon a Sabbath day. When the Sabbath came they bade me go to work. I told them it was the Sabbath day and desired them to let me rest, and told them I would do as much more tomorrow. To which they answered they would break my face.

6th Remove. On Monday they set their wigwams on fire and away they went. It was a cold morning and before us there was a great brook with ice upon it. Some waded thru it up to the knees and higher, but others went till they came to a beaver dam and I among them, where thru the good providence of God I did not wet my foot. I went along that day mourning and lamenting, leaving farther my own country and traveling into the vast and howling wilderness; and I understood something of Lot's wife's temptation, when she lookt back.

We came that day to a great swamp by the side of which we took up our lodging that night. When I came to the brow of the hill that lookt toward the



swamp, I thought we had come to a great Indian town, tho there were none but our own company. The Indians were as thick as the trees. It seemed as if there were one thousand hatchets going at once. If one looked before, there was nothing but Indians; and behind, nothing but Indians; and so on either hand and I myself in the midst, and no Christian soul near me; and yet how hath the Lord preserved me in safety. Oh, the experience that I have had of the goodness of God, to me and mine.

7th Remove. After a restless and hungry night there, we had a wearisome time of it the next day. The swamp by which we lay, was as it were a deep dungeon, with an exceeding high and steep hill before it. Before I got to the top of the hill, I thought my heart and legs and all would have broken and failed me. What thru faintness and soreness of body, it was a grievous day of travel to me. As we went along I saw a place where English cattle had been. That was comfort to me, such as it was. Quickly after that we came to an English path, which so took with me that I thought I could freely lie down and die. That day a little after noon we came to Squoukbrog, where the Indians quickly spread themselves over the deserted English fields, gleaning what they could find. Some pickt up ears of wheat that were trickled down; some found ears of Indian corn; some, groundnuts; and others, sheaves of wheat that were frozen together in the shock; and went to threshing them out. Myself got two ears of Indian corn, and whilst I did but turn



my back, one of them was stolen from me, which much troubled me.

There came an Indian to them at that time with a basket of horse liver. I askt him to give me a piece. "What," says he, "can you eat horse liver?" I told him I would try if he would give a piece, which he did, and I laid it on the coals to roast; but before it was half ready they got half of it away from me, so that I was fain to take the rest and eat it as it was, with the blood about my mouth; and yet a savory bit it was to me, "For to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet." A solemn sight it was to see fields of wheat and Indian corn forsaken and spoiled, and the remains to be food for our merciless enemies. That night we had a mess of wheat for our supper.

8th Remove. On the morrow morning we must go over the Connecticut River to meet King Philip. Two canoes full they had carried over. The next time I was to go, but as my foot was on the canoe to step m, there was a sudden outcry among them and I must step back, and instead of going over the river, I must go four or five miles up the river, farther northward. Some of the Indians ran one way and some another. The cause of this rout was, as I thought, their spying some English scouts who were thereabout.

In this travel up the river, about noon the company made a stop and sat down, some to eat and others to rest. As I sat among them, musing of things past, my son Joseph unexpectedly came to me. We askt of each other's welfare, bemoaning our doleful condition and



the change that had come upon us. We had had husband and father, children and sisters, friends and relatives, house and home, and many comforts of this life; but now we may say as Job, "Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

I askt him whether he would read. He told me he earnestly desired it. I gave him my Bible and he lighted on that comfortable scripture, Psalm 118. 17, 18. "I shall not die but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord hath chastened me sore, yet he hath not given me over to death."

"Look here, mother," says he, "Did you read this?" And here I may take occasion to mention one principal ground of my setting forth these lines; even as the Psalmist says, "To declare the works of the Lord," and his wonderful power in carrying us along, preserving us in the wilderness while under the enemies' hand, and returning us in safety. And his goodness in bringing to my hand so many comfortable and suitable scriptures, in my distress.

But to return. We traveled on till night, and in the morning we must go over the river to Philip's crew. When I was in the canoe, I could not but be amazed at the numerous crew of pagans that were on the bank on the other side. When I came ashore they gathered all about me, I sitting alone in the midst. I observed they asked one another questions, and laughed and rejoiced over their gains and victories.



Then my heart began to fail and I fell a weeping, which was the first time to my remembrance that I wept before them. Altho I had met with so much affliction, and my heart was many times ready to break, yet could I not shed one tear in their sight; but rather had been all this while in a maze, like one astonisht. But now I may say as Psalm 137. 1. "By the rivers of Babylon there we sat down; yea, we wept when we remembered Zion." Then one of them askt me why I wept. I could hardly tell what to say, yet I answered they would kill me. "No," said he, "none will hurt you." Then came one and gave me two spoonfuls of meal to comfort me, and another gave me half a pint of peas, which was worth more than many bushels at another time. Then I went to see King Philip.

He bade me come in and sit down, and askt me whether I would smoke—a usual compliment nowadays among saints and sinners—but this no way suited me, for tho I had formerly used tobacco, yet I had left it ever since I was first taken. It seems to be a bait the devil lays to make men lose their present time. I remember with shame how formerly when I had taken two or three pipes, I was presently ready for another. But I thank God he has now given me power over it. Surely there are many who may be better employed than to lie sucking a stinking tobacco pipe.

Now the Indians gathered their forces to go against Northampton. Over night one went about yelling and hooting to give notice of the design. Whereupon they fell to boiling of groundnuts and parching of corn for their provision, and in the morning away they went.



During my abode in this place, Philip spoke to me to make a shirt for his boy, which I did, for which he gave me a shilling. I offered the money to my master but he bade me keep it, and with it I bought a piece of horse flesh. Afterward he askt me to make a cap for his boy, for which he invited me to dinner. I went, and he gave me a pancake about as big as two fingers. It was made of parcht wheat, beaten, and fried in bear's grease; but I thought I never tasted pleasanter meat in my life.

There was a squaw who spoke to me to make a shirt for her Sannup (husband), for which she gave me a piece of bear. Another askt me to knit a pair of stockings, for which she gave me a quart of peas. I boiled my peas and bear together and invited my master and mistress; but the proud gossip, because I served them both in one dish, would eat nothing except one bit that he gave her on the point of his knife.

Hearing that my son was come to this place, I went to see him and found him lying flat on the ground. I askt him how he could sleep so. He answered that he was not asleep but at prayer, and lay so that they might not observe what he was doing. I pray God he may remember these things now he is returned in safety. At this place the sun now getting high, what with the beams and heat of the sun, and the smoke of the wigwams, I thought I should become blind. I could scarce discern one wigwam from another. There was here one Mary Thurston of Medfield, who seeing how it was with me, lent me a hat to wear; but as soon as I



was gone, the squaw who owned that Mary Thurston, came running after me and got it away again.

Here was the squaw that gave me one spoonful of meal. I put it into my pocket to keep it safe, yet somebody stole it, but put five Indian corns in the room of it, which corns were the greatest provisions I had in my travel for one day.

The Indians returning from Northampton, brought with them some horses and sheep, and other things which they had taken. I desired them that they would carry me to Albany and sell me for powder, for so they had sometimes discourst. I was utterly hopeless of getting home on foot the way that I came. I could hardly bear to think of the many weary steps I had taken to come to this place.

9th Remove. But instead of going either to Albany or homeward, we must go five miles up the river and then go over it. Here we abode awhile. Here lived a sorry Indian who spoke to me to make him a shirt. When I had done it he would pay me nothing; but he living by the river side where I often went to fetch water, I would often be putting him in mind and calling for my pay. At last he told me if I would make another shirt for a papoose not yet born, he would give me a knife. When I had done it my master askt me to give the knife to him, and I was glad that I had anything that they would accept and be pleased with.

When we were at this place my master's maid came home. She had been gone three weeks into the Narragansett country to fetch corn, where they had stored



up some in the ground. She brought home about a peck and a half of corn. This was about the time that their great Captain Naananto was killed in the Narragansett country.

My son being now about a mile from me I askt liberty to go and see him. They bade me go and away I went, but quickly lost myself traveling over hills and through swamps. And I cannot but admire at the wonderful power and goodness of God to me in that tho I met all sorts of Indians, and those I had no knowledge of, and there was no Christian soul near me; yet not one of them offered the least misbehavior to me.

I turned homeward again and met my master. He shewed me the way to my son. When I came to him I found him not well and withal he had a boil on his side, which much troubled him. We bemoaned one another there awhile as the Lord helpt us, and then I returned, but found myself as unsatisfied as before. I went up and down mourning and lamenting and my spirit was ready to sink with the thoughts of my poor children. My son was ill and I could not but think of his mournful looks. No Christian friend was near him, to do any office of love for him, either of soul or body. And my poor girl, I knew not where she was, or whether she was sick or well, or alive or dead. I repaired under these thoughts to my Bible-my great comfort in that time-and that scripture came to my hand, "Cast thy burden upon the Lord and He shall sustain thee." Psalm 55. 22.



But I was fain to go and look after something to satisfy my hunger. Going among the wigwams I went into one, and there found a squaw who shewed herself very kind to me, and gave me a piece of bear. I put it into my pocket and came home, but could not find an opportunity to boil it, for fear they would get it from me; so there it lay all day and night in my stinking pocket.

In the morning I went to the same squaw who had a kettle of groundnuts boiling. I askt her to let me boil my piece of bear in her kettle, which she did and gave me some groundnuts to eat with it; and I cannot but think how pleasant it was to me. I have sometimes seen bear baked very handsomely among the English, and some like it, but the thought that it was bear made me tremble. But now that was savory to me, that one would think was enough to turn the stomach of a brute creature.

One bitter cold day I could find no room to sit down before the fire. I went out and could not tell what to do, but I went into another wigwam where they were also sitting around the fire. The squaw laid a skin for me and bid me sit down. She gave me some groundnuts and bid me come again, and told me they would buy me if they were able; and yet these were strangers to me that I never saw before.

10th Remove. That day a small part of the company removed about three quarters of a mile, intending further the next day. When they came to the place where they intended to lodge, and had pitcht their wig-



wams, being hungry I went back again to the place we were at before, to get something to eat, being encouraged by the squaw's kindness who bid me come again. When I was there, there came an Indian to look after me, who, when he had found me, kickt me all along. I went home and found venison roasting that night, but they would not give me one bit of it. Sometimes I met with iavor, and sometimes with nothing but frowns.

Ilth Remove. The next day in the morning they took their travel, intending a day's journey up the river. I took my load at my back and quickly we came to wade over the river, and past over wearisome hills. One hill was so steep that I was fain to creep up upon my hands and knees, and to hold by the twigs and bushes to keep myself from falling backward. My head also was so light that I usually reeled as I went; but I hope all these wearisome steps that I have taken, are but a forewarning to me of the heavenly rest. "I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me." Psalm 119. 75.

12th Remove. It was upon a Sabbath morning that they prepared for their travel. This morning I askt my master whether he would sell me to my husband. He answered, "Nux," which did much rejoice my spirit. My mistress was gone to the burial of a papoose, and returning she found me sitting and reading in my Bible. She snatcht it out of my hand and threw it out of doors. I ran out and catcht it up and put it into my pocket, and never let her see it afterward.



Then they packt up their things to be gone and gave me my load. I complained it was too heavy, whereupon she gave me a slap in the face and bade me go. I lifted up my heart to God, hoping the redemption was not far off, because their insolence grew worse and worse. But the thoughts of going homeward, for so we bent our course, much cheered my spirit and made my burden seem almost nothing at all. But to my great perplexity, the scale was soon turned, for when we had gone a little way, on a sudden, my mistress gives out. She would go no further, but turned back again, and said I must go back again with her.

She called her husband and would have had him go back also, but he would not; but said he would go on and come to us again in three days. My spirit was upon this, very impatient and almost outrageous. I thought I could as well die as go back, but yet back again I must go.

As soon as I had an opportunity I took my Bible to read, and that quieting scripture came to my hand, Psalm 46. 10. "Be still and know that I am God," which filled my spirit for the present, but, my master being gone, who seemed the best friend that I had, of an Indian, a sore time of trial I had before me, both in cold and hunger. Down I sat with my heart as full as it could hold, and so hungry that I could not sit either, but going out to see what I could find, and walking among the trees, I found six acorns and two chestnuts, which were some refreshment to me.



Toward night I gathered some sticks for my own comfort, that I might not lie a cold, but when we came to lie down they bade me go out and lie somewhere else, for they had company, they said, come in more than their own. I told them I could not tell where to go. They bade me look. I told them if I went to another wigwam they would be angry and send me home again. Then one of the company drew his sword and told me he would run me thru, if I did not go.

Then was I fain to stoop to this rude fellow and to go out into the night, I knew not whither. Mine eyes have seen that fellow afterward walking up and down Boston under the appearance of a friend Indian; and several others of the like cut. I went to one wigwam and they told me they had no room. Then I went to another and they said the same. At last an old Indian bade me come to him, and his squaw gave me some groundnuts. She gave me also something to lay under my head, and a good fire we had, and thru the good providence of God I had a good lodging that night.

In the morning another Indian bade me come at night and he would give me some groundnuts, which I did. We were at this place about two miles from Connecticut River. We went in the morning to gather groundnuts, to the river, and went back again that night. I went with a good load at my back, for when they went, tho but a little way, they would carry all their trumpery with them. I told them the skin was off my back, but I had no other comforting answer



from them than this, that it would be no matter if my head were off too.

13th Remove. Instead of going toward the bay, which was what I desired, I must go with them five or six miles down the river into a mighty thicket of brush, where we abode almost a fortnight. Here one askt me to make a shirt for her papoose, for which she gave me a mess of broth, which was thickened with meal made of the bark of a tree; and to make it the better she had put into it about a handful of peas and a few roasted groundnuts.

I had not seen my son for a pretty while, and here was an Indian of whom I made inquiry after him. He answered me that at such a time his master roasted him, and that himself did eat a piece of him as big as his two fingers, and that he was very good meat. But the Lord upheld my spirit under this discouragement. I considered their horrible addictedness to lying, and that there is not one of them that makes the least con-

science of speaking the truth.

In this place on a cold night as I lay by the fire, I removed a stick that kept the heat from me. A squaw moved it down again, at which I lookt up and she threw a handful of ashes into my eyes. I thought that I should be quite blinded and never see more, but lying down, the water ran out of my eyes and carried the dirt with it, so that by the morning I recovered my sight. Yet upon this and the like occasions, I hoped it is not too much to say with Job, "Have pity upon me, ·have pity upon me, O ve my friends, for the hand of the Lord hath touched me".



And here I cannot but remember how many times, sitting in their wigwams and musing on the past. I would suddenly leap up and run out as if I had been at home, forgetting where I was and what my condition was; but when I was without and saw nothing but wilderness and woods and a company of barbarous heathen, my mind quickly returned to me.

About this time I began to think that all my hopes of restoration would come to nothing. I thought of the English Army, and hoped for their coming, and of being taken by them, but that failed. I hoped to be carried to Albany as the Indians had discourst before, but that failed also. I thought of being sold to my husband as my master spoke, but instead of that, my master himself was gone and I left behind; so that my spirit was quite ready to sink.

I askt them to let me go and pick up some sticks, that I might get alone, "And pour out my heart unto the Lord". Then also I had my Bible to read but I found no comfort here either, which many times I had been wont to find,—so easy a thing it is for God to dry up the streams of scripture comfort from us.

Yet I can say that in all my sorrows and afflictions, God did not leave me to have my impatience work toward himself, as if his ways were unrighteousness; but I knew that he laid upon me less than I deserved. Afterward before this doleful time ended with me, I was turning the leaves of my Bible, and the Lord brought to me some scriptures which did a little revive me, as that Isaiah 55. 8. "For my thoughts are not your



your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways", saith the Lord. And also Psalm 37. 5, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in him and He shall bring it to pass".

About this time they came yelping from Hadley where they had killed three Englishmen, and brought one captive with them—Thomas Read. They all gathered about the poor man, asking him questions. I desired also to go and see him, and when I came he was crying bitterly, supposing they intended to kill him. Whereupon I askt one of them whether they inteded to kill him. He answered me they would not. He being a little cheered with that, I askt him about my husband.

He told me he saw him such a time in the bay, and he was well, but very melancholy. By which I certainly understood, tho I suspected it before, that what the Indians had told me respecting him, was vanity and lies. Some of them told me he was dead and they had killed him. Some said he was married again, and that the Governor wisht him to marry and told him he should have his choice, and that all were persuaded that I was dead. So like were these barbarous creatures to him who was a liar from the beginning.

As I was sitting once in the wigwam here, Philip's maid came in with the child in her arms, and askt me to give her a piece of my apron to make a flap for it. I told her I would not. Then my mistress bade me give it, but still I said no. The maid told me if I would not give her a piece, she would tear apiece off it. I told



her I would tear her coat, then. With that my mistress rises up and takes up a stick big enough to have killed me, and struck at me with it; but I stept out, and she struck the stick into the mat of the wigwam. But while she was pulling it out, I ran to the maid and gave her all my apron, and so that storm went over..

Hearing that my son was come to this place, I went to see him, and told him his father was well but very melancholy. He told me he was as much grieved for his father as for himself. I wondered at his speech, for I thought I had enough upon my spirit in reference to myself, to make me mindless of my husband and every one else, they being safe among their friends. He told me also that awhile before his master together with other Indians, were going to the French for powder, but by the way the Mohawks met them and killed four of their company, which made the rest turn back again; for which I desire that he and myself may bless the Lord; for it might have been worse with him had he been sold to the French, than it proved to be in remaining with the Indians.

I went to see an English youth in this place one John Gilberd of Springfield. I found him lying without doors upon the ground. I askt him how he did. He told me he was very sick of a flux, with eating so much blood. They had turned him, and with him an Indian pappoose almost dead, whose parents had been killed, out of the wigwam in a bitter cold day, without fire or clothes. The young man himself had nothing on but his shirt and waistcoat. This sight was enough to melt



a heart of flint. There they lay, quivering in the cold.

—the youth round like a dog, the pappoose stretch out with its eyes, nose, and mouth full of dirt, yet alive and groaning.

I advised John to go and get to some fire. He told me he could not stand, but I persuaded him still, lest he should lie there and die. With much ado I got him to a fire and went myself home. As soon as I was got home, his master's daughter came after me, to know what I had done with the Englishman. I told her I had got him to a fire in such a place. Now had I need to pray Paul's prayer, 2 Thes. 3. 2. "That we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men."

For her satisfaction, I went along with her and brought her to him; but before I got home again, it got noised about that I was running away and getting the English youth along with me, so that as soon as I came in they began to rant and domineer, asking me where I had been, and what I had been doing, and saying they would knock him on the head. I told them I had been seeing the English youth, and that I would not run away. They told me I lied, and taking up a hatchet, they came to me and said they would knock me down if I stirred out again,—and so confined me to the wigwam. Now may I say with David, 2 Sam. 24. 14. "I am in a great strait." If I keep in I must die with hunger, and if I go out I must be knockt in head.

This distrest condition held that day and half the next, and then the Lord whose mercies are great, remembered me. Then came an Indian to me with a pair



of stockings that were too big for him, and he would have me ravel them out and knit them fit for him. I showed myself willing, and bid him ask my mistress if I might go along with him a little way. She said yes, I might, and I was not a little refresht with that news, that I had my liberty again. Then I went along with him and he gave me some roasted groundnuts, which did again revive my feeble stomach.

Being got out of her sight, I had time and liberty to look again into my Bible, which was my guide by day and my pillow by night. Now that comfortable scripture presented itself to me, Isaiah 54. 7. "For a small moment have I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee." Thus the Lord carried me along from one time to another, and made good to me

this precious promise, and many others.

Then my son came to see me and I askt his master to let him stay awhile with me, that I might comb his head and look over him, for he was almost overcome with lice. He told me when I had done, that he was very hungry, but I had nothing to relieve him. I bid him go into the wigwams as he went along, and see whether he could get anything among them. Which he did and it seems tarried a little too long, for his master was angry with him and beat him and then sold him. Then he came running to tell me he had a new master, and he had given him some groundnuts already. Then I went along with him to his new master, who told me he loved him, and he should not want. So his master carried him away and I never saw him afterward, till I saw him at Piscataqua, in Portsmouth.



That night they bade me go out of the wigwam again; my mistress's pappoose was sick and it died that night, and there was one benefit in it, for there was more room. I went to a wigwam and they bade me come in, and gave me a skin to lie upon, and a mess of venison and groundnuts-a choice dish among them. On the morrow they buried the pappoose, and afterward both morning and evening, there came a company to mourn and howl with her; tho I confess I could not much condole with them. Many sorrowful days I had in this place. I could tell the Lord as Hezekiah, "Remember now, O Lord, I beseech thee, how I have walked before Thee in truth." Now I had time to examine all my ways. My conscience did not accuse me of unrighteousness toward one or another, yet I saw how in my walk with God, I had been a careless creature. As David said "Against thee, thee only have I sinned," and I might say with the poor Publican, "God be merciful to me a sinner."

On the Sabbath days I could look upon the sun, and think how people were going to the house of God to have their souls refresht, and then home and their bodies also; but I was destitute of both, and might say as the poor prodigal, "He would fain have filled himself with the husks that the swine did eat, and no man gave unto him." Luke 15. 16. I remembered how on the night before and after the Sabbath, when my family were about me, and relations and neighbors were with us, we could pray and sing, and then refresh our bodies with the good creatures of God, and then have



a comfortable bed to lie down on; but instead of all this, I had only a little swill for the body, and then like a swine must lie down on the ground.

I cannot express to man the sorrow that lay upon my spirit; the Lord knows it. Yet that comfortable scripture would often come to my mind, "For a small moment have I forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee."

14th Remove. Now must we pack up and be gone from this thicket, bending our course toward the Baytowns, I having nothing to eat by the way this day, but a few crumbs of cake that an Indian gave my girl, the same day we were taken. She gave it to me and I put it into my pocket. There it lay till it was so mouldy, for want of good baking, that one could not tell what it was made of. It fell all to crumbs and grew so dry and hard that it was like little flints; but this refresht me many times when I was ready to faint. It was in my thoughts, when I put it into my mouth, that if ever I returned I would tell the world what a blessing the Lord gave to such mean food.

As we went along they killed a deer with a young one in her. They gave me a piece of the fawn, and it was so young and tender that one might eat the bones as well as the flesh, yet I thought it very good. When night came on we sat down. It rained, but they quickly got up a bark wigwam, where I lay dry that night. I lookt out in the morning and many of them had lain in the rain all night, as I saw by their reeking. Thus the Lord delt mercifully with me many times, and I fared better than many of them.



In the morning they took the blood of the deer and put it into the paunch, and so boiled it. I could eat nothing of that, tho they ate it sweetly. And yet they were so nice in other things, that when I had fetcht water and had put the dish I dipt the water with, into the kettle of water I brought, they would say they would knock me down; for they said it was a sluttish trick

15th Remove. We went on our travel. I having got one handful of groundnuts for my support that day, they gave me my load, and I went on cheerfully with the thoughts of going homeward. We came to Baquaug River again that day, near which we abode a few days. Sometimes one of them would give me a pipe; another, a little tobacco; another, a little salt; which I would change for a little victuals. I cannot but think what a wolfish appetite persons have in a starving condition, for many times when they gave me that which was hot, I was so greedy that I would burn my mouth so that it would trouble me for hours afterwards, and yet I would quickly do the same again.

And after I was thoroly hungry, I was never again satisfied; for tho sometimes I got enough and did eat till I could eat no more, yet I was as unsatisfied as when I began. And now I could see that Scripture verified, there being many scriptures which we do not take notice of or understand, till we are afflicted: Micah 6. 14. "Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied."

16th Remove. We begun this remove with wading over Baquaug River. The water was up to the knees



and the stream very swift, and so cold that I thought it would cut me in sunder. I was so feeble that I reeled as I went along, and thought there I must end my days at last, after bearing and getting thru so many difficulties. The Indians stood laughing to see me staggering along, but in my distress the Lord gave me experience of the truth and goodness of that promise, Isaiah 43. 2. "When thou passest through the waters I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee."

Then I sat down to put on my stockings and shoes, with the tears running down mine eyes, and many sorrowful thoughts in my heart; but I got up to go along with them. Quickly there came up to us an Indian, who informed them that I must go to Wachuset to my master; for there was a letter come from the Council to the Sagamores, about redeeming the captives; and that there would be another in fourteen days, and I must be there ready.

My heart was so heavy before that I could scarcely speak or go in the path, and yet now so light that I could run. My strength seemed to come again and to recruit my feeble knees and aching heart; yet it pleased them to go but one mile that night and there we stayed two days.

17th Remove. A comfortable remove it was to me, because of my hopes. They gave me a pack and along we went cheerfully, but quickly my will proved more than my strength. Having little or no refreshing, my strength failed, and my spirits were almost or quite gone.



At night we came to an Indian town and the Indians sat down by a wigwam discoursing, but I was almost spent and could scarcely speak. I laid down my load and went into the wigwam, and there sat an Indian boiling horses' feet,—they being wont to eat the flesh first, and when the feet were old and dried and they had nothing else, they would cut off the feet and use them. I askt him to give me a little of his broth. He took a dish and gave me one spoonful of samp and bid me take as much of the broth as I would. Then I put some of the hot water to the samp and drank it up, and my spirit came again. He gave me also a piece of the ruff or riddling of the small guts, and I boiled it on the coals.

18th Remove. We took up our packs and along we went, but a wearisome day I had of it. As we went along I saw an Englishman stript naked, lying dead upon the ground, but knew not who it was. Then we came to another Indian town where we stayed all night. In this town there were four English children captives, and one was my own sister's. I went to see how she did and she was well, considering her captive condition. I would have tarried with her that night, but they that owned her would not suffer it. Then I went into another wigwam where they were boiling corn and beans, which was a lovely sight to see, but I could not get a taste thereof. Then I went to another wigwam where there were two of the English children.

The squaw was boiling horses' feet, and she cut me



off a little piece, and gave one of the English children a piece also. Being very hungry I had quickly eaten mine up, but the child could not bite it, it was so tough and sinewy, but lay sucking, chewing and slabbering of it in the mouth and hand. Then I took it of the child and ate it myself, and savory it was to my taste. Then I may say as Job, Chap. 6. 7. "The things that my soul refused to touch, are as my sorrowful meat." Thus the Lord made that pleasant refreshing, which another time would have been an abomination. Then I went home to my mistress' wigwam, and they told me I disgraced my master with begging, and if I did so any more they would knock me in head. I told them they might as well knock me in head as starve me to death.

19th Remove. They said when we went out that we must travel to Wachuset this day. But a bitter, weary day I had of it, traveling now three days together, without resting any day between. At last, after many weary steps I saw Wachuset Hills, but many miles off. Then we came to a great swamp thru which we traveled up to the knees in mud and water, which was heavy going to one tired before. Being almost spent I thought I should sink down at last and never get out; but I may say as in Psalm 94. 18. "When my foot slipped, thy mercy, O Lord, held me up."

Going along, having indeed my life but little spirit, Philip, who was in the company, came up and took me by the hand and said, "Two weeks and you shall be mistress again." I askt him whether he spoke true.



"Yes, and quickly you shall come to your master again," who had been gone from us three weeks. After many weary steps we came to Wachuset where he was, and glad I was to see him.

He askt me when I washt me. I told him not this month. Then he fecht me some water himself, and bid me wash, and gave me the glass to see how I lookt, and bid his squaw give me something to eat. So she gave me a mess of beans and meat and a little ground-nut cake. I was wonderfully revived by this favor shewed me. "He made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them captive."

My master had three squaws, living sometimes with one and sometimes with another. One was this old squaw at whose wigwam I was, and with whom my master had been those three weeks. Another was Wettimore (Weetamoo) with whom I had lived and served all this while. A severe and proud dame she was, bestowing every day in dressing herself, nearly as much time as any of the gentry of the land; powdering her hair and painting her face, going with necklaces, with jewels in her ears, and bracelets upon her hands. When she had dressed herself her work was to make girdles of wampum and beads. The third squaw was a younger one by whom he had two pappooses.

By the time I was refresht by the old squaw, Wettimore's maid came to call me home, at which I fell a weeping. Then the old squaw told me, to encourage me, that if I wanted victuals that I should come to



her, and that I should lie there in her wigwam. Then I went with the maid and quickly came again and lodged there. The squaw laid a mat under me and a good rug over me, the first time I had any such kindness shewed me.

I understood that Wettimore thought that if she should let me go and serve with the old squaw, she would be in danger to lose not only my service, but the redemption pay also. And I was not a little glad to hear this, being by it raised in my hopes that in God's good time there would be an end of this sorrowful hour.

Then came an Indian and askt me to knit him three pairs of stockings, for which I had a hat and a silk handkerchief. Then another askt me to make her a shift, for which she gave me an apron. Then came Tom and Peter with the second letter about the captives.

Tho they were Indians, I got them by the hand and burst into tears. My heart was so full that I could not speak to them, but recovering myself I askt them how my husband did, and all my friends and acquaintances. They said, "They are all very well, but melancholy." They brought me two biscuits and a pound of tobacco. The tobacco I quickly gave away. When it was all gone, one askt me to give him a pipe of tobacco. I told him it was all gone; then began he to rant and threaten. I told him when my husband came I would give him some.

"Hang him, rogue," says he, "I will knock out his



brains if he comes here." And then again in the same breath they would say that if there should come a hundred without guns, they would do them no hurt. So unstable and like madmen they were. So that fearing the worst I durst not send to my husband—tho there were some thoughts of his coming to redeem and fetch me—not knowing what might follow, for there was little more trust to them than to the master they served.

When the letter was come, the Sagamores met to consult about the captives, and called me to them to inquire how much my husband would give to redeem me. When I came I sat down among them as I was wont to do, as their manner is. Then they bade me stand up, and said they were the General Court. They bid me speak what I thought he would give. Now knowing that all we had was destroyed by the Indians. I was in a great strait. I thought if I should speak of but a little, it would be slighted and hinder the matter; if, of a great sum, I knew not where it would be procured.

Yet at a venture, I said twenty pounds, but desired them to take less; but they would not hear of that, but sent that message to Boston, that for twenty pounds I should be redeemed. It was a praying Indian that wrote their letter for them. There was another praying Indian, who when he had done all the mischief that he could, betrayed his own father into the English hands, thereby to purchase his own life. Another praying Indian was at Sudbury Fight, tho as he deserved he was afterward hanged for it. There was



another praying Indian so wicked and cruel as to wear a string about his neck, strung with Christian fingers. Another praying Indian, when they went to Sudbury Fight, went with them and his squaw also with them, with her pappoose at her back.

Before they went to that fight they got a company together to powaw. To my thinking they went without any doubt but they should prosper, and they came home with a great victory; for they said they had killed two captains and almost a hundred men. One Englishman they brought along with them, and he said it was too true, for they had made sad work at Sudbury. Yet they came home without that rejoicing and triumphing over their victory, which they were wont to show at other times; but rather like dogs (as they say) which have lost their ears.

Yet I could not perceive that it was for their own loss of men. They said they had not lost above five or six, and I mist none except in one wigwam. When they went they acted as if the devil had told them that they should gain the victory; and now they acted as if the devil had told them they should have a fall. Whether it were so or not I cannot tell, but so it proved, for they begun to fall, and so held on that summer till they came to utter ruin. They came home on a Sabbath day.

When my master came home he came to me and bid me make a shirt for his pappoose, of a holland laced pillow beer. About that time, there came an Indian to me and bid me come to his wigwam at night. Which



I did, and as I was eating another Indian said to me, "He seems to be your good friend, but he killed two Englishmen at Sudbury, and there lie their clothes behind you." I lookt behind me and there I saw bloody clothes with bullet holes in them, yet the Lord suffered not this wretch to do me any hurt. Yea, instead of that, he many times refresht me; five or six times did he and his squaw refresh my feeble body. If I went to their wigwam at any time, they would always give me something, and yet they were strangers that I never saw before

Another squaw gave me a little fresh pork and a little salt with it, and lent me her pan to fry it in, and I cannot but remember to this day what a sweet, pleasant and delightful relish that bit had. So little do we prize common mercies when we have them to the full.

20th Remove. It was their usual manner to remove when they had done any mischief, lest they should be found out, and so they did at this time. We went about three or four miles and there they built a great wigwam, big enough to hold a hundred Indians, which they did in preparation to a great day of dancing. They would say now among themselves, that the Governor would be so angry for his loss at Sudbury, that he would send no more about the captives, which made me grieve and tremble.

My sister, being not far from the place where we now were, and hearing that I was here, desired her master to let her come and see me; and he was willing and would go with her; but she being ready before



him, told him she would go before, and was come within a mile or two of the place. Then he overtook her and begun to rant as if he had been mad, and made her go back again in the rain; so that I never saw her till I saw her in Charlestown. But the Lord requited many of their ill doings, for this Indian, her master, was hanged afterward at Boston.

The Indians now began to come from all quarters against their merry dancing day. Among some of them came Goodwife Kettle. I told her my heart was so heavy that it was ready to break. "So is mine, too," said she, "Yet I hope we shall hear some good news shortly." I could hear how earnestly my sister desired to see me, and I as earnestly desired to see her; yet neither of us could get an opportunity. My daughter was now about a mile off, and I had not seen her in nine or ten weeks; and I had not seen my sister since our first taking. I earnestly desired them to let me go to see them; yea, I entreated and begged them but to let me see my daughter, yet so hard hearted were they that they would not suffer it. They made use of their tyrannical power while they had it, but thru the Lord's wonderful mercy their time now was short

On a Sabbath day the sun being about an hour high in the afternoon, came Mr. John Hoar, (the Council permitting him, and his own forward spirit inclining him) together with the two Indians, Tom and Peter, with their third letter from the Council. When they came near I was abroad. Tho I saw them not they



presently called me in, and bade me sit down and not stir. Then they catcht up their guns and away they ran as if an enemy had been at hand, and the guns went off apace. I manifested some great trouble, and they askt me what was the matter. I told them I thought they had killed the Englishman. They said no, they shot over his horse and under and before his horse, and they pusht him this way and that way at their pleasure, showing what they could do. Then they let them come to their wigwams.

I begged them to let me see the Englishmen, but they would not. When they had talkt their fill with him, they suffered me to go to him. We askt each other of our welfare, and how my husband did and all my friends. He told me they were all well and would be glad to see me. Among other things which my husband sent me, there came a pound of tobacco. which I sold for nine shillings in money. I now askt them whether I should go home with Mr. Hoar. They answered no, and it being night we lay down with that answer.

In the morning Mr. Hoar invited the Sagamores to dinner, but when we went to get it ready, we found they had stolen the greater part of the provisions Mr. Hoar had brought, out of his bags in the night. And we may see the wonderful power of God, in that they did not knock us in the head,—there being not only some provisions, but also trading cloth, a part of the twenty pounds agreed upon; but they seemed to be ashamed of the fact and said it was some bad Indians



that did it. Mr. Hoar called them to dinner but they ate very little, being so busy in dressing themselves, and getting ready for their great dance; which was carried out by eight of them, four men and four squaws, my master and mistress being two. They held on till it was almost night, throwing out wampum to the standers by. At night I askt them again if I should go home. They all as one said no, unless my husband should come for me. When we were laid down, my master went out of the wigwam, and by and by sent in an Indian called James, the printer, who told Mr. Hoar that my master would let me go home tomorrow, if he would let him have one pint of liquor. Then Mr. Hoar called his own Indians, Tom and Peter, and bid them go and see whether he would promise it before them three, and if he would, he should have it; which he did, and he had it.

Then Philip smelling the business, called to me and asked me what I would give him to give me some good news, and speak a good word for me. I told him I could not tell what to give him; I would anything I had, and askt him what he would have. He said two coats, twenty shillings in money, half a bushel of seed corn and some tobacco. I thankt him for his love, but I knew the good news as well as the crafty fox. My master, after he had had his drink, quickly came ranting into the wigwam again and called for Mr. Hoar. Drinking to him, he said he was a good man; then again he would say, "Hang him, rogue." Being almost drunk he would drink to him, and yet presently say he should be hanged.



Then he called for me. I trembled to hear him, yet I was fain to go to him, and he drank to me, showing no incivility. He was the first Indian I saw drunk all the while I was among them. Yet I had not comfortable night's rest, for I think I can say I did not sleep for three nights together. The night before the letter came from the Council, I could not rest. I was so full of fears and troubles,—God many times leaving us most in the dark when deliverance is nearest. The next night I was overjoyed, Mr. Hoar being come and with such good tidings.

The third night I was even swallowed up with the thought that ever I should go home again; and that I must go leaving my children in the wilderness; so that sleep was now almost departed from mine eyes. On Tuesday morning they called their General Court, as they called it, to consult and determine whether I should go home or not, and they all did seemingly consent to it, except Philip, who would not come among them

But before I go any further I would mention the strange providence of God in turning things about, when the Indians were at the highest and the English at the lowest. I was with the enemy eleven weeks and four days, and not one day past without the fury of the enemy, and some desolation by fire and sword upon one place or another. They mourned, with their black faces, for their own losses, yet triumpht and rejoiced in their inhuman and many times devilish cruelty to the English. They would boast much of



their victories, saying that in two hours time they had destroyed such a captain and his company at such a place; and such a captain and his company at such a place; and such a captain and his company at such a place.

They would boast how many towns they had destroyed, and then scoff and say they had done them a good turn, to send them to heaven so soon. they would say that this summer they would knock all the rogues in the head, or drive them into the sea, or make them flee the country. Now the heathen begin to think all is their own, and the poor Christians' hopes begin to fail, as to man, and now their eves are more to God and their hearts, sigh heavenward, and they say in good earnest, "Help, Lord, or we perish." When the Lord had brought his people to this, that they saw no help in anything but himself, then He takes the quarrel into his own hand, and tho they had made a pit in their imaginations, as deep as hell for the Christians that summer, yet the Lord hurled themselves into it; and the Lord had not had more ways to preserve them, than now He had to destroy them.

But to return to my going home, where we may see a remarkable change of providence. At first they were all against it unless my husband would come for me; but afterward they assented to it and seemed much to rejoice in it. Some asked me to send them some bread; others, some tobacco; others shook me by the hand, offering me a hood and scarf to ride in; not one moving hand or tongue against it.



In my travels an Indian came to me and told me if I were willing, he and his squaw would run away and go home with me. I told him, no, I was not willing to run away, but desired to wait God's time, that I might go home quietly and without fear. And now God had granted my desire. Oh, the wonderful power of God that I have seen. I have been in the midst of those roaring lions and savage bears, that feared neither God nor man nor the devil, by night and by day, alone, in company, sleeping all sorts together, and yet not one of them ever offered me the least abuse of unchastity, in word or action. I may well say as Psalm 107. 1. "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for his mercy endureth forever."

So I took my leave of them, and in coming along my heart melted into tears with the thoughts that ever I should go home again. About the sun going down, Mr. Hoar and myself and the two Indians, came to Lancaster, and a solemn sight it was to me. There had I lived many comfortable years, among my neighbors and relations, and now not one Christian to be seen or one house left standing. We went on to a farm house that was yet standing, where we lay all night, and a comfortable lodging we had, tho nothing but straw to lie on. The Lord preserved us in safety that night, and in the morning carried us along, and before noon we came to Concord.

Now was I full of joy and yet not without sorrow, —joy to see such a lovely sight, so many Christians together, and some of them my neighbors. There I



met my brother and my brother-in-law, (Capt. Kerley) who asked me whether I knew where his wife was. Poor heart, he had helpt to bury her and knew it not. She being shot down by the house, was partly burnt, so those who were at Boston at the desolation of the town, and came back afterward and buried the dead, did not know her.

Yet I was not without sorrow to think how many were looking and longing, and my own children among the rest, to enjoy that deliverance that I had received; and I did not know whether I should ever see them again. Being recruited with food and raiment, we went to Boston that day, where I met my dear husband; but the thoughts of our dear children, one being dead and the others we could not tell where, abated our comfort, each to other.

I was not before more hemmed in with the cruel heathen, than now with tender hearted and compassionate Christians. In that poor, distrest, and beggarly condition, I was received and kindly entertained in several houses. So much love I received from several, some of whom I knew and others I knew not, that I am not able to declare it; but the Lord knows them all by name. The Lord reward them sevenfold. The twenty pounds, the price of my redemption, was raised by some Boston gentleman and Mr. Usher, whose bounty and religious charity I would not forget to mention.

The week after my coming in, the Governor and Council sent forth to the Indians and with success, for



they brought in my sister and Goodwife Kettle. Their not knowing where our children were, was a sore trial to us. Sometimes we would hear a report that they had come in, in this place or that. We kept inquiring, but no certain news as yet.

About this time the Council had ordered a day of public thanksgiving, and we thought we would ride toward the eastward to see whether we could hear anything concerning our children. As we were riding along between Ipswich and Rowley, we met Mr. Wm. Hubbard, who told us that our son Joseph was come in to Major Waldron's, and with him my sister's son; the Major himself told him so. So along we went till we came to Newbury, and their minister being absent they desired my husband to preach the thanksgiving for them, which he did.

At night when he had done, one came and told him that his daughter was come in at Providence. Here was mercy on both hands. "Refrain thy voice from weeping and thine eyes from tears," sayeth the Lord, "For thy work shall be rewarded, and they shall come again from the land of the enemy." Our son being nearest we went to him first, to Portsmouth, where we met the Major also, who told us he could not redeem him under seven pounds, which the good people thereabout were pleased to pay. My sister's son was redeemed for four pounds, which the Council gave order for the payment of.

Going back on Monday we came to Charlestown, where we heard that the carts that carried provisions



to the English Army, being guarded, had brought our daughter with them to Dorchester, where we received her safe.

Her coming in was after this manner. She was traveling one day with her basket on her back, and the Indians were got before her and out of sight, all except one squaw (a captive). She followed the squaw till night and then both lay down, having nothing over them but the heavens; and under them, but the earth. Thus she traveled three days, having nothing to eat or drink but hurtle berries. At last they came into Providence, where she was kindly entertained by several of that town. The Indians often said I should never have her under twenty pounds, but now the Lord hath brought her in upon free cost.

Our family being now gathered together, the South Church in Boston hired a house for us, where we continued about three quarters of a year. Still the Lord went with us and provided for us. I can remember the time when I used to sleep quietly without workings in my thoughts whole nights together, but now when all are fast asleep about me, and no eye open but that of Him who ever waketh, my thoughts are upon things past. I remember in the night season, how the other day I was in the midst of thousands of enemies with nothing but death before me. It was then hard work to persuade myself that ever I should be satisfied with bread again; but now we are fed with the finest of the wheat, and, as I may say, with honey out of the rock. Instead of the husk, we have the fatted calf.



Oh, the wonderful power of God that my eyes have seen. I have seen the extreme vanity of this world. One hour I have been in health and wealth, wanting nothing; but the next hour in sickness and wounds and death, having nothing but sorrow and affliction. Before I knew what affliction meant. I was ready sometimes to wish for it. When I lived in prosperity, seeing many whom I preferred before myself, under many trials and afflictions—in sickness, weakness, poverty, losses, crosses and cares—I would sometimes be jealous lest I should have my portion in this life; but now I see the Lord had his time to chasten me, and I hope I can say as David did, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted."

The Lord has shown me the vanity of these outward things. If trouble from smaller matters begins to arise in me, I have something at hand to check myself with. I say, "Why am I troubled? It was but the other day that if I had had the world, I would have given it for my freedom, or to have been servant to a Christian." I have learned to look beyond present and smaller troubles, as Moses said, Exodus 14. 13. "Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord."

- Note 1. Weetamoo was drowned in attempting to swim across the river or arm of the sea at Mattapoisett, to escape capture. Quanopin was captured, tried at Newport, and shot, Aug. 25, 1676.
- Note 2. The Indians, out of malice, deceived Mrs. Rowlandson about the praying Indians. They were



arrested and taken to Boston for trial, but easily proved an alibi.

The Indians' letter.

To the Governor and Council at Boston:

The Indians, Tom Nepennomp and Peter Tatatiqunea hath brought us letter from you about the English Captives, especially for Mrs. Rolanson;.......
Therefore we desire you to send Mr. Rolanson and goodman Kettle: (for their wives) and these Indians Tom and Peter to redeem their wives, they shall come and goe very safely: Whereupon we ask Mrs. Rolanson, how much your husband willing to give for you she gave an answer 20 pounds in goodes but John Kittels wife could not till. And the rest captives may be spoken of hereafter.

Note 3. In July, Mrs. Kettle's daughter Sarah, aged fourteen years, ran away from the Indians, and came into Marlboro half starved, carrying her little sister on her back.



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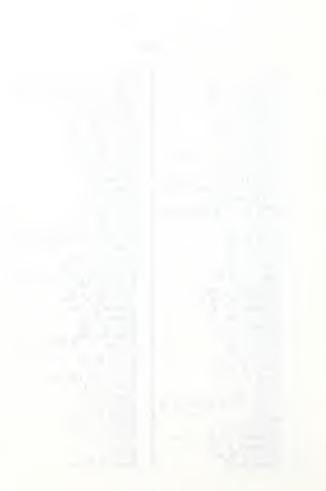
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